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The School of Arts and Sciences lies at the heart of the University and is dedicated to providing its students the highest quality liberal education, encouraging their lifelong commitment both to pursuit of critical, analytical, and creative thinking in and between the disciplines, and to meeting responsibly the challenges of life, work, and the democracy. This education gives students access to the broad and deep foundations of existing knowledge in the disciplines comprising the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, and physical and biological sciences. Just as importantly, it offers students the opportunity to participate creatively in the disciplined production of new knowledge, and to recognize the interconnectedness of all branches of learning in the arts and sciences.

Many students develop interests which blossom into lifetime careers by pursuing in-depth study in the arts, the humanities, the social or the natural sciences, all of which are centered in the School of Arts and Sciences. Twenty-two departments, ranging alphabetically from Anthropology to World Languages and Literatures, offer majors for the interested student. Students interested in secondary school teaching careers (grades 7-12) may enroll as a Bachelor of

Science major in one of 12 departments offering the course work required by the State Department of Education. Students who successfully receive the B.S. degree in a certification area but do not pass Praxis II or ACTFL (as appropriate) will not be recommended for Initial Teaching Certification.

The School also offers a large variety of minors and special programs for students interested in pursuing a field of study less intensely than through a full major.

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## ANTHROPOLOGY

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Students who major in anthropology may choose between a Bachelor of Science degree or a Bachelor of Arts degree. In the Bachelor of Science degree program students may select a general concentration or concentrate in one of four distinct subfields: archaeology, biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, or linguistic anthropology. Students also may choose to enroll in a Bachelor of Arts degree in anthropology, which is more general in nature. In order to graduate with a degree in anthropology, students are required to maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 for all courses required in the major.

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ANTHROPOLOGY (36 credits)

*Core Courses (21 credits):*

ANT 101 — Cultural Anthropology

ANT 102 — Biological Anthropology

ANT 204 — Language and Culture  
 ANT 205 — Prehistoric Archaeology  
 ANT 480 — Theory in Anthropology  
 ANT 497 — Internship (6 credits)

*Concentration (15 credits):*

Students select a concentration and complete one methods course and 12 elective credits from the options listed.

**Archaeology**

*Methods Course (3 credits):*

ANT 445 — Stones and Bones  
 ANT 475 — Methods in Archaeology

*Electives (12 credits):*

ANT 206 — Cultural Ecology  
 ANT 235 — Archaeological Fact and Fiction  
 ANT 321 — Indians of North America  
 ANT 323 — Women in Prehistory  
 ANT 332 — Bioarchaeology  
 ANT 335 — African Prehistory  
 ANT 390 — Ethics in Anthropology  
 ANT 422 — Human Os teology  
 ANT 432 — Evidence of Human Evolution  
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**Biological Anthropology**

*Methods Course (3 credits):*

ANT 422 — Human Os teology  
 ANT 432 — Evidence of Human Evolution  
 ANT 470 — Ethnographic Fieldwork Methods

*Electives (12 credits):*

ANT 222 — Modern Human Variation  
 ANT 302 — Issues in Biological Anthropology  
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**Cultural Anthropology**

*Methods Course (3 credits):*

ANT 465 — Anthropological Linguistics  
 ANT 470 — Ethnographic Fieldwork Methods

*Electives (12 credits):*

ANT 206 — Cultural Ecology  
 ANT 214 — American Tongues: Everyday Politics of Speaking  
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#### ANT 100 Interpreting Cultures

An introduction to the types of critical thinking necessary for the study of culture. A focus on the ways in which cultural anthropologists gather evidence, analyze that evidence, and synthesize conclusions. The course includes material from a variety of cultures around the world and a significant discussion of the diversity of human social life. 3 credits.

#### ANT 101 Cultural Anthropology

Study of living cultures, stressing such aspects of social organization as religion, economics, political behavior, language, kinship, and art. While the models used are primarily so-called traditional societies, efforts are directed toward the comparison of all types of cultures and societies existing in the world today. 3 credits.

#### ANT 102 Biological Anthropology

Study of humans as bio-cultural organisms and our place in the animal kingdom. Human origins and the fossil record bearing on humankind's evolution. Mechanisms of evolution with population genetics emphasized. Human variation (race) considered from an evolutionary perspective and the biological variability between and among modern populations. 3 credits.

#### ANT 201 The Global Community

Globalization as a cultural process. The impact of globalization on communities throughout the world with attention to political, social, and economic aspects in regard to gender equity, poverty and inequality, cultural diversity, environment, and social justice and human rights. Prerequisite: None. 3 credits.

#### ANT 204 Language and Culture

An introduction to the anthropological study of language including the nature, structure of language; the sociocultural functions and uses of language; theory and the study of meaning; language variations; the evolution and learning of language, and the nature of language change. 3 credits.

#### ANT 205 Prehistoric Archaeology

Introduction to archaeological methods and techniques. The reconstruction and analysis of prehistoric periods, stressing Old World cultures. 3 credits.

#### ANT 206 Cultural Ecology

The place of ecology in human evolution and anthropological theory. The adaptation of hunters and gatherers, agriculturalists, pastoralists, peasants, and city dwellers—past and present—to their respective environments. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, or ANT 205. 3 credits

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Investigates the ways that language practice constructs, maintains, and complicates ideas about social cohesion with an emphasis on inequality. Stresses intersections of race, class, and gender. 3 credits.

#### ANT 222 Modern Human Variation

A survey of the extraordinary range of human biological variability seen today. Emphasizes the functional and adaptive nature of human biological variation, as well as the influence of behavior and environment on biology. Issues examined include the "race" concept, genetic disorders, the influence of the environment on human appearance (e.g. high altitude adaptations), sex differences, and intelligence. 3 credits

#### ANT 224 Children, Language, Socialization

Examines the development of children from a cultural perspective. Special emphasis placed on the induction of children into speech communities and on the social nature of learning. Cognitive abilities are explained in relation to the complex dynamics of socialization. 3 credits.

#### ANT 225 Peoples and Cultures of Central and South America

Major patterns characterizing Latin American cultures of Spanish heritage. Mesoamerica is studied intensively; the world view and major social institutions of indigenous and Spanish antecedents as well as of contemporary tribal and national culture are considered. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

#### ANT 235 Archaeological Fact and Fiction

A critical examination of what and how we know about the human past through the comparison of fictional accounts with the actual archaeological record. Emphasis will be placed on the methods, logic, and analogies used to identify past human behavior. Famous prehistoric frauds and myths conceived by pseudoarchaeologists and novelists also are discussed. 3 credits.

#### ANT 252 Introduction Forensic Science

An overview of the scientific method and its application to the analysis of physical evidence as it impacts investigations and court proceedings. Topics include the study of basic methods of documentation, collection and preservation of physical evidence; general schemes for the analysis of chemical and biological evidence; identification and individualization of firearms, fingerprints, imprints, documents, hairs, fibers, blood and body fluids, paint, drugs and poisons, patterns, and other materials associated with crimes. The course material is reinforced through the use of actual case studies, hands-on exercises, and class exercises. 3 credits.

#### ANT 260 Anthropology of Media

Examines myth, ritual, and kinship filtered through the lens of various forms of media in the United States. Explores films and case studies of movies, TV sitcoms and dramas and news broadcasts. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits

#### ANT 302 Issues in Biological Anthropology

Race, hominid behavior, socio-biology, creationism, molecular genetics, psychosis, brain measures, formative causation, frauds, discoveries, and taphonomy. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, or ANT 102 or PSY 100 and 3 credits of BIO. 3 credits

**ANT311 Applied Anthropology**

Application of the science of anthropology to solutions of contemporary social change problems. Research and experience of anthropologists in various developing areas are examined. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

**ANT312 Medical Anthropology**

The cross-cultural approach to health behavior, with emphasis on social factors related to the success of public health programs in underdeveloped Third World countries. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

**ANT320 Visual Anthropology**

An exploration of how different cultures are depicted in film, photography, and other visual media, and of the analytical, ethical, and artistic issues such ethnographic images pose. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits.

**ANT 321 Indians of North America**

Analysis of traditional and prehistoric Indian cultures using ethnological reconstruction, archaeological data and historical records. Origin, languages, and physical types are examined. Considered are each of the aboriginal populations of North America, as well as the Maya and Aztec civilizations. Prerequisite: 3 credits of ANT or SOC. 3 credits.

**ANT322 Forensic Anthropology**

Identification, analysis, and interpretation of human remains in a medico-legal context. Provides training in osteology, forensic method and theory, forensic taphonomy, and research methods. Numerous "real-life" cases are used to illustrate the theory and ideas involved with human remains recovery and identification in the contexts of homicide, suicide, mass disasters, and accidental death. Prerequisites: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits.

**ANT 323 Women in Prehistory**

Examines the roles of women in ancient societies including their roles as healers, warriors, chiefs, and queens. Prerequisite: 6 credits in ANT, SOC, or WMS. 3 credits

**ANT 330 Anthropology of Religion**

A cross-cultural analysis of the dynamic aspects of religion and ritual as expressions of cultural values, with examples drawn from every level of culture and diverse world societies. Prerequisite: 3 credits in ANT. 3 credits.

**ANT 331 People and Cultures of the Caribbean**

An exploration of cultural diversities and continuities of the Caribbean region through ethnographic case studies. Topics include a historical overview, the role of slavery in the construction of these societies, and current issues: political economy, labor and migration, tourism, religion and resistance, kinship and the division of labor. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101 or 205 or SOC 100. 3 credits.

**ANT332 Bioarchaeology**

Study of human remains from archaeological sites as a means to reconstruct the biological and cultural past. Explores topics such as prehistoric health and disease, subsistence patterns, biological relatedness, cultural modification, violent conflict, ancient medical treatments, and physical activity. Case studies drawn from burial populations covering a wide temporal and spatial distribution. Prerequisite: ANT 102 or 205. 3 credits.

**ANT 335 African Prehistory**

An examination of the prehistoric archaeological record in Africa, from the earliest archaeological traces (approximately 2.6 million years ago) to the rise of the early African kingdoms. The most prominent sites, particularly in eastern and southern Africa, are featured. Recent discoveries and current debates within the field of Africanist archaeology are highlighted. Prerequisite: ANT 205 or 102. 3 credits.

**ANT 340 Ritual Expressions**

An exploration of one of the primary forms of human expressions and creativity, from the humble handshake to senior proms to the complex rituals of birth, initiation, and death. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits.

**ANT 341 Sex and Temperament in Sub-Saharan Ethnology of Africa**

Conditioning of social personalities of both sexes in representative ethnic groups of Africa. Traditional family organization, religious beliefs and values, and chief governmental institutions are compared. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

**ANT 342 African Culture Change**

Survey of prehistoric and historic African cultures. Problems arising out of cultural contact with non-African societies, and the effect of sub-Saharan African peoples' development in rural Africa. Processes of change faced by indigenous cultures, governments and international agencies of development in rural Africa. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

**ANT 352 Crime Scene Investigation**

Provides students with knowledge of basic concepts of case and crime scene investigation; scene and investigative personnel management; nature of investigative personnel roles; steps in the processing of scenes and evidence; methods of documentation; general and specialized techniques for the recognition, identification, and individualization of evidence; sources of investigative information; interview techniques; reconstruction of events; and legal and ethical considerations during criminal investigations. Prerequisite: ANT 252 or ANT 322. 3 credits.

**ANT355 Native American Women**

Examines the lives of Native American women with an emphasis on their roles in the economic, political, and ideological domains. Prerequisite: 6 credits in ANT, SOC, or WMS. 3 credits.

**ANT 374 Language, Gender, and Sexuality**

Traverses scholarship on the significance of gender in language from early emphases on universal to more recent ethnographically grounded approaches. Relates gender to expressions of sexuality. Prerequisite: ANT 204 or WLL 204. 3 credits.

**ANT 376 Anthropology of Education**

Examines how the classroom and other learning environments can be understood as cultural spaces. Emphasis is placed upon the intertwined nature of education and socialization, cultural perspectives on the cognitive features of learning, and cross-cultural understanding in the classroom. Prerequisites: ANT 101 and 3 other credits in anthropology. 3 credits.

**ANT 380 Anthropology of Women and Health**

Anthropological analysis of local to global processes impacting women's health around the world. Ethnographic case studies that look at social organization, kinship, marriage, race, class, religion, etc. that contribute to the well-being of women. Exploration of non-Western healing techniques employed by women through time and space. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101 or 205 or SOC 100. 3 credits.

**ANT 390 Ethics in Anthropology**

Explores the ethical dilemmas faced by anthropologists in their search to study the cultural and biological diversity in the human species. Employs numerous case studies in cultural, medical, and biological anthropology and archaeology to examine contemporary ethical issues. Prerequisites: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits.

**ANT 402 Apes and Human Evolution**

Laboratory-oriented survey of living primates describing and comparing the diverse behavioral and morphological adaptations of great apes in a human evolutionary context. Issues of primate and human evolution are explored and addressed by reviewing extant and extinct primate morphology and behavior through fossil analyses. Prerequisite: ANT 102 or ANT 302. 4 credits

**ANT 422 Human Osteology**

The identification and analysis of the human skeleton, focusing on functional anatomy. Students acquire proficiency in the names and landmarks of all the bones in the skeleton, along with details of the musculoskeletal system and bone growth and biology. Methods taught include the determination of age and sex, biological affinity, stature, and paleopathological conditions. Students receive hands-on experience with skeletal material in a laboratory setting. Prerequisite: ANT 102 or 322. 3 credits.

**ANT 430 Global Women's Issues**

Theories of globalization and feminist anthropology are used to examine how globalization affects the well-being and potential of women in the areas of work, reproduction, religion, leadership and activism. Prerequisites 6 credits in ANT/SOC/WMS and junior status. 3 credits.

**ANT 432 Evidence of Human Evolution**

A hands-on examination of the fossil evidence of human evolution. Topics include the skeletal anatomy of modern humans and great apes and the fossil evidence of early hominids including *Orrorin*, *Sahelanthropus*, *Ardipithecus*, *Australopithecus*, early *Homo*, *Homo erectus*, *Homo neanderthalensis* and *Homo sapiens*. Recent discoveries and controversies in paleoanthropology are highlighted. Prerequisite: ANT 102. 4 credits.

**ANT 442 Advanced Forensic Anthropology**

An advanced study of research themes in forensic anthropology. Students examine the primary literature to critically evaluate new research on human skeletal remains. In this seminar-style class, students lead and participate in discussions and produce critical writing pieces on several topics related to forensic anthropology. Topics include trauma and pathological conditions, positive identification, and the use of forensic anthropology in human rights investigations. Prerequisite: ANT 322. 3 credits.

**ANT 445 Stones and Bones**

An introduction to the methods used by archaeologists to catalog, curate, and analyze artifacts and ecofacts. Topics include taphonomy, middle-range research including experimental, actualistic and ethnoarchaeological methods, introduction to flintknapping and lithic artifact analysis, and introduction to zooarchaeological identification and faunal analysis. Prerequisite: ANT 102 or 205. 3 credits.

**ANT 465 Fieldwork Methods in Linguistic Anthropology**

This course emphasizes the practical aspects of the ethnographic study of language, with a special focus on fieldwork methods in the "language and culture" paradigm. Students will be expected to propose and undertake the collection of ethnographic materials. Instruction will focus on semi-otic models of language, the process of contextualization, meta-language, and the theoretical significance of discourse for anthropology. Prerequisite: 12 credits of anthropology. 3 credits.

**ANT 470 Ethnographic Fieldwork Methods**

Explanation and analysis of ethnographic field methods. Applying anthropological theory to research. Designing and conducting anthropological research and ethnographic writing. Exploration of ethical issues of fieldwork. Prerequisite: 9 credits in ANT or SOC; junior status. 3 credits.

**ANT 475 Methods in Archaeology**

Introduction to and participation in the various methods involved in archaeological fieldwork, laboratory analysis and experimental techniques. Emphasizes hands-on experience, demonstrations, and applications of modern techniques to archaeological problems. Prerequisite: 3 credits in ANT or GEO. 4 credits

**ANT 480 Theory in Anthropology**

Major theoretical contributions to the field. Development and evaluation of: culture as a scientific concept, early evolutionism and other determinisms, diffusionism, neo evolutionism, functionalism, culture and personality, formal semantic analysis, and ethnohistory. Prerequisites: 9 credits in ANT and junior status. 3 credits.

**ANT 490 Seminar in Anthropology**

Students apply theoretical and field knowledge to selected topics drawn from current issues in anthropology. A major research paper and presentation are required. Prerequisite: 18 credits in ANT. 3 credits.

**ANT 497 Anthropology Internship**

Practical field training and work assignment in physical anthropology, archaeology, linguistics, or ethnology, under qualified supervision in conjunction with departmental faculty. Prerequisite: departmental permission. Repeatable 3-12 credits.

**ANT 499 Independent Study**

Prerequisite: 15 credits in ANT. Repeatable 1-12 credits.

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An overview of the scientific method and its application to the analysis of physical evidence as it impacts investigations and court proceedings. Topics include the study of basic methods of documentation, collection and preservation of physical evidence; general schemes for the analysis of chemical and biological evidence; identification and individualization of firearms, fingerprints, imprints, documents, hairs, fibers, blood and body fluids, paint, drugs and poisons, patterns, and other materials associated with crimes. The course material is reinforced through the use of actual case studies, hands-on exercises, and class exercises. 3 credits.

**ANT 260 Anthropology of Media**

Examines myth, ritual, and kinship filtered through the lens of various forms of media in the United States. Explores films and case studies of movies, TV sitcoms and dramas and news broadcasts. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits

**ANT 302 Issues in Biological Anthropology**

Race, hominid behavior, socio-biology, creationism, molecular genetics, psychosis, brain measures, formative causation, frauds, discoveries, and taphonomy. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, or ANT 102 or PSY 100 and 3 credits of BIO. 3 credits

**ANT311 Applied Anthropology**

Application of the science of anthropology to solutions of contemporary social change problems. Research and experience of anthropologists in various developing areas are examined. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

**ANT312 Medical Anthropology**

The cross-cultural approach to health behavior, with emphasis on social factors related to the success of public health programs in underdeveloped Third World countries. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

**ANT320 Visual Anthropology**

An exploration of how different cultures are depicted in film, photography, and other visual media, and of the analytical, ethical, and artistic issues such ethnographic images pose. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits.

**ANT 321 Indians of North America**

Analysis of traditional and prehistoric Indian cultures using ethnological reconstruction, archaeological data and historical records. Origin, languages, and physical types are examined. Considered are each of the aboriginal populations of North America, as well as the Maya and Aztec civilizations. Prerequisite: 3 credits of ANT or SOC. 3 credits.

**ANT322 Forensic Anthropology**

Identification, analysis, and interpretation of human remains in a medico-legal context. Provides training in osteology, forensic method and theory, forensic taphonomy, and research methods. Numerous "real-life" cases are used to illustrate the theory and ideas involved with human remains recovery and identification in the contexts of homicide, suicide, mass disasters, and accidental death. Prerequisites: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits.

**ANT 323 Women in Prehistory**

Examines the roles of women in ancient societies including their roles as healers, warriors, chiefs, and queens. Prerequisite: 6 credits in ANT, SOC, or WMS. 3 credits

**ANT 330 Anthropology of Religion**

A cross-cultural analysis of the dynamic aspects of religion and ritual as expressions of cultural values, with examples drawn from every level of culture and diverse world societies. Prerequisite: 3 credits in ANT. 3 credits.

**ANT 331 People and Cultures of the Caribbean**

An exploration of cultural diversities and continuities of the Caribbean region through ethnographic case studies. Topics include a historical overview, the role of slavery in the construction of these societies, and current issues: political economy, labor and migration, tourism, religion and resistance, kinship and the division of labor. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101 or 205 or SOC 100. 3 credits.

**ANT332 Bioarchaeology**

Study of human remains from archaeological sites as a means to reconstruct the biological and cultural past. Explores topics such as prehistoric health and disease, subsistence patterns, biological relatedness, cultural modification, violent conflict, ancient medical treatments, and physical activity. Case studies drawn from burial populations covering a wide temporal and spatial distribution. Prerequisite: ANT 102 or 205. 3 credits.

**ANT 335 African Prehistory**

An examination of the prehistoric archaeological record in Africa, from the earliest archaeological traces (approximately 2.6 million years ago) to the rise of the early African kingdoms. The most prominent sites, particularly in eastern and southern Africa, are featured. Recent discoveries and current debates within the field of Africanist archaeology are highlighted. Prerequisite: ANT 205 or 102. 3 credits.

**ANT 340 Ritual Expressions**

An exploration of one of the primary forms of human expressions and creativity, from the humble handshake to senior proms to the complex rituals of birth, initiation, and death. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits.

**ANT 341 Sex and Temperament in Sub-Saharan Ethnology of Africa**

Conditioning of social personalities of both sexes in representative ethnic groups of Africa. Traditional family organization, religious beliefs and values, and chief governmental institutions are compared. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

**ANT 342 African Culture Change**

Survey of prehistoric and historic African cultures. Problems arising out of cultural contact with non-African societies, and the effect of sub-Saharan African peoples' development in rural Africa. Processes of change faced by indigenous cultures, governments and international agencies of development in rural Africa. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking or ANT 101. 3 credits.

**ANT 352 Crime Scene Investigation**

Provides students with knowledge of basic concepts of case and crime scene investigation; scene and investigative personnel management; nature of investigative personnel roles; steps in the processing of scenes and evidence; methods of documentation; general and specialized techniques for the recognition, identification, and individualization of evidence; sources of investigative information; interview techniques; reconstruction of events; and legal and ethical considerations during criminal investigations. Prerequisite: ANT 252 or ANT 322. 3 credits.

**ANT355 Native American Women**

Examines the lives of Native American women with an emphasis on their roles in the economic, political, and ideological domains. Prerequisite: 6 credits in ANT, SOC, or WMS. 3 credits.

**ANT 374 Language, Gender, and Sexuality**

Traverses scholarship on the significance of gender in language from early emphases on universal to more recent ethnographically grounded approaches. Relates gender to expressions of sexuality. Prerequisite: ANT 204 or WLL 204. 3 credits.

**ANT 376 Anthropology of Education**

Examines how the classroom and other learning environments can be understood as cultural spaces. Emphasis is placed upon the intertwined nature of education and socialization, cultural perspectives on the cognitive features of learning, and cross-cultural understanding in the classroom. Prerequisites: ANT 101 and 3 other credits in anthropology. 3 credits.

**ANT 380 Anthropology of Women and Health**

Anthropological analysis of local to global processes impacting women's health around the world. Ethnographic case studies that look at social organization, kinship, marriage, race, class, religion, etc. that contribute to the well-being of women. Exploration of non-Western healing techniques employed by women through time and space. Prerequisite: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101 or 205 or SOC 100. 3 credits.

**ANT 390 Ethics in Anthropology**

Explores the ethical dilemmas faced by anthropologists in their search to study the cultural and biological diversity in the human species. Employs numerous case studies in cultural, medical, and biological anthropology and archaeology to examine contemporary ethical issues. Prerequisites: Liberal Education Program Critical Thinking, ANT 101, PSY 100, SOC 100, or SOC 211. 3 credits.

**ANT 402 Apes and Human Evolution**

Laboratory-oriented survey of living primates describing and comparing the diverse behavioral and morphological adaptations of great apes in a human evolutionary context. Issues of primate and human evolution are explored and addressed by reviewing extant and extinct primate morphology and behavior through fossil analyses. Prerequisite: ANT 102 or ANT 302. 4 credits

**ANT 422 Human Osteology**

The identification and analysis of the human skeleton, focusing on functional anatomy. Students acquire proficiency in the names and landmarks of all the bones in the skeleton, along with details of the musculoskeletal system and bone growth and biology. Methods taught include the determination of age and sex, biological affinity, stature, and paleopathological conditions. Students receive hands-on experience with skeletal material in a laboratory setting. Prerequisite: ANT 102 or 322. 3 credits.

**ANT 430 Global Women's Issues**

Theories of globalization and feminist anthropology are used to examine how globalization affects the well-being and potential of women in the areas of work, reproduction, religion, leadership and activism. Prerequisites 6 credits in ANT/SOC/WMS and junior status. 3 credits.

**ANT 432 Evidence of Human Evolution**

A hands-on examination of the fossil evidence of human evolution. Topics include the skeletal anatomy of modern humans and great apes and the fossil evidence of early hominids including *Orrorin*, *Sahelanthropus*, *Ardipithecus*, *Australopithecus*, early *Homo*, *Homo erectus*, *Homo neanderthalensis* and *Homo sapiens*. Recent discoveries and controversies in paleoanthropology are highlighted. Prerequisite: ANT 102. 4 credits.

**ANT 442 Advanced Forensic Anthropology**

An advanced study of research themes in forensic anthropology. Students examine the primary literature to critically evaluate new research on human skeletal remains. In this seminar-style class, students lead and participate in discussions and produce critical writing pieces on several topics related to forensic anthropology. Topics include trauma and pathological conditions, positive identification, and the use of forensic anthropology in human rights investigations. Prerequisite: ANT 322. 3 credits.

**ANT 445 Stones and Bones**

An introduction to the methods used by archaeologists to catalog, curate, and analyze artifacts and ecofacts. Topics include taphonomy, middle-range research including experimental, actualistic and ethnoarchaeological methods, introduction to flintknapping and lithic artifact analysis, and introduction to zooarchaeological identification and faunal analysis. Prerequisite: ANT 102 or 205. 3 credits.

**ANT 465 Fieldwork Methods in Linguistic Anthropology**

This course emphasizes the practical aspects of the ethnographic study of language, with a special focus on fieldwork methods in the "language and culture" paradigm. Students will be expected to propose and undertake the collection of ethnographic materials. Instruction will focus on semi-otic models of language, the process of contextualization, meta-language, and the theoretical significance of discourse for anthropology. Prerequisite: 12 credits of anthropology. 3 credits.

**ANT 470 Ethnographic Fieldwork Methods**

Explanation and analysis of ethnographic field methods. Applying anthropological theory to research. Designing and conducting anthropological research and ethnographic writing. Exploration of ethical issues of fieldwork. Prerequisite: 9 credits in ANT or SOC; junior status. 3 credits.

**ANT 475 Methods in Archaeology**

Introduction to and participation in the various methods involved in archaeological fieldwork, laboratory analysis and experimental techniques. Emphasizes hands-on experience, demonstrations, and applications of modern techniques to archaeological problems. Prerequisite: 3 credits in ANT or GEO. 4 credits

**ANT 480 Theory in Anthropology**

Major theoretical contributions to the field. Development and evaluation of: culture as a scientific concept, early evolutionism and other determinisms, diffusionism, neo evolutionism, functionalism, culture and personality, formal semantic analysis, and ethnohistory. Prerequisites: 9 credits in ANT and junior status. 3 credits.

**ANT 490 Seminar in Anthropology**

Students apply theoretical and field knowledge to selected topics drawn from current issues in anthropology. A major research paper and presentation are required. Prerequisite: 18 credits in ANT. 3 credits.

**ANT 497 Anthropology Internship**

Practical field training and work assignment in physical anthropology, archaeology, linguistics, or ethnology, under qualified supervision in conjunction with departmental faculty. Prerequisite: departmental permission. Repeatable 3-12 credits.

**ANT 499 Independent Study**

Prerequisite: 15 credits in ANT. Repeatable 1-12 credits.