

Anthropology

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Anthropology is the study of human cultures and societies around the world. Anthropology looks at humans holistically, that is, it takes into account the biological, psychological, cultural, social, and historical aspects of human life. Anthropologists examine similarities and differences in social institutions, cultural beliefs, and communication styles. They often seek to explain or “translate” one culture to another. The fields of anthropology include **sociocultural** (the study of present day cultures); **linguistic anthropology** (historic and present day study of language development and use); **archaeology** (the study of past cultures through their material remains); and **physical anthropology** (which includes evolution of humans and forensic anthropology). Go to www.unt.edu/anthropology/ for more information on the faculty, the field, and opportunities for students.

The Bachelor’s degree in Anthropology from the University of North Texas consists of 120 credit hours, including 42 hours of general academics and 47 in major required courses, with the remaining hours to be filled by electives or a minor of the student’s choice. The PACS Office of Student Services assists students with degree planning.

What Anthropology graduates DO:

Anthropology is a liberal arts discipline. We believe that our emphasis on writing and critical thinking provide students for a basis in a wide variety of career possibilities. Anthropology can be considered appropriate pre-professional education for Medicine, Dentistry, and Law, as well as an array of other graduate programs. Here is a sample of the careers that anthropology degree-holders have chosen:

- Public Health Educator
- Archaeologist***
- Teaching, K-12
- Social Researcher/Ethnographer
- Advertising/Marketing
- Epidemiologist
- Economic Development Specialist
- Program Evaluator
- City Planner
- Ethnobotanist
- Film Maker
- College Professor
- Journalist
- Photojournalist
- Cultural Resource Manager
- Social Worker
- Librarian
- Environmental Consultant

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses (18 hours)

ANTH 2300	Culture and Society	ANTH 3000-level	Any “Area Studies” course
ARCH 2800	Archaeological Science	ANTH 4011	Field Methods
ANTH 2700	Intro to Physical Anthropology	ANTH 4021	History of Anthropological Thought

Outside Electives (3 hours – choose one)

PHIL 2330	Intro to Modern Philosophy	PHIL 2600	Ethics in Science
GEOG 2170	Culture, Environment, Society	GEOG 1200	World Regional Geography
HIST 1050	World Civilization to 1500	HIST 1060	World Civilization from the 16 th Century

Anthropology Electives (18 hours required – 15 must be advanced)

ANTH 1010	Introduction to Anthropology	ANTH 3720	Peoples of Southeast Asia
ANTH 1100	World Cultures	ANTH 3710	Peoples of East Asia
ANTH 1150	World Cultures through Film	ANTH 4000	Applied Anthropology
ANTH 2070	Intro to Race and Ethnic Studies	ANTH 4110	Design Anthropology
ANTH 2200	Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective	ANTH 4200	Medical Anthropology: Health, Healing & Culture
ANTH 3101	American Culture and Society	ANTH 4210	Culture and Human Sexuality
ANTH 3120	Indian Cultures of the Southwest	ANTH 4220	Anthropology and Public Health
ANTH 3130	African American Anthropology	ANTH 4230	Psychological Anthropology
ANTH 3140	Latinos in the United States	ANTH 4300	Migrants and Refugees
ANTH 3200	Peoples of Latin America	ANTH 4400	Environmental Anthropology
ANTH 3210	Peoples of Meso-America	ANTH 4500	Language and Culture
ANTH 3220	Mayan Culture	ANTH 4550	Race, Ethnicity, and Identity
ANTH 3300	Peoples of the Pacific/Oceania	ANTH 4601	Anthropology of Education
ANTH 3331*	Forensic Anthropology*	ANTH 4701**	Topics in Sociocultural Anthropology**
ANTH 3400	Peoples of Africa	ANTH 4751	Magic, Witchcraft, and the Supernatural
ANTH 3500	Cultures and Civilizations of the Middle East	ANTH 4770**	Ethnographic Field School**
ANTH 3700	Peoples of South Asia	ANTH 4801**	Topics in Physical Anthropology

Archaeology Courses that may be used as Anthropology Electives

ARCH 3650	Origins of Civilization*	ARCH 4620	Topics in Archaeology**
ARCH 4810	Archaeology Field School		

*Does not count as an area studies requirement

Topics vary by semester; see department website or the UNT Schedule of Classes: <http://essc.unt.edu/registrar/schedule/socbydept.html#arts> (this is updated daily). **See over for partial list of topics courses.

*** Students interested in archaeology as a specialty area should consult with Anthropology faculty AND Archaeology faculty in the Geography Department.

Information for Potential Anthropology Majors, continued

ANTH 4770 Ethnographic Field School ***

- 001 Mexico
- 002 Saudi Arabia
- 003 Ghana
- 004 Egypt

ANTH 4801 Topics in Physical Anthropology ***

- 001 Evolution
- 002 Bio-Cultural Perspectives on Health
- 003 Human Ecology and Adaptation

ANTH 4701 Topics in Sociocultural Anthropology ***

- 001 Violence Terror and Terrorism
- 003 Symbolic Anthropology
- 004 Urban Anthropology
- 005 Holistic Health and Alternative Healing
- 006 Ethnicity Poverty Health: Cultural Issues of Health and Disease
- 007 Anthropology of Business
- 008 Design Anthropology
- 009 Gender and Islam
- 010 Contemporary Middle East: Society, Culture and Politics
- 011 Gender and Violence
- 025 Culture and International Development
- 027 Community Engagement Through Action Research
- 023 Applying Design Anthropology
- 029 Anthropology of Sports
- 030 Food, Culture and Globalization
- 031 Anthropology of Non-Governmental Organizations
- 033 Organizational Anthropology
- 034 Anthropology of Christianity
- 035 Tourism
- 036 Anthropology and Social Media Culture: Surveying the Selfie

WHAT IF I'M INTERESTED IN ARCHAEOLOGY?

If you have a serious interest in DOING archaeology as opposed to appreciating ancient civilizations you may want to consider majoring in Archaeology. This major is part of the Geography Department at UNT. Professional archaeologists need some "hard science" courses that you would be unlikely to have time to take as part of an anthropology major. The good news is that as an Archaeology major, you can take many anthropology classes as electives to fulfill the requirement for your major. For more information, see <http://geography.unt.edu/environmental-archaeology-key-courses>. It is often a good idea to test your interest by taking the required class for Anthropology majors, Archaeology 2800, Archaeological Science in your freshman year.

WHAT IF I'M INTERESTED IN BIOLOGICAL OR FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY?

If you want to concentrate in one of these areas, you will be pleased to know that Dr. Harrell Gill-King, a world-renowned forensic anthropologist, is on the faculty of the Biology Department. Many of the other classes that will be necessary for you to apply to graduate school in biological or forensic anthropology are similar to the requirements for a minor in Biology, which is why we often urge students with these interests to consider such a minor. Because anthropology is a holistic discipline, most graduate programs expect that you will have taken courses in socio-cultural anthropology and archaeology, which are requirements of our major. It is often a good idea to test your interest by taking the required class for Anthropology majors, Anthropology 2700, Introduction to Physical Anthropology in your freshman or sophomore year.