

The Anthropology Minor

What is Anthropology?

Anthropology is the Study of humanity throughout space and time. Anthropologists analyze cross-cultural differences in cultural beliefs and practices, communication styles, and social institutions. Research and exploration in anthropology place special emphasis on the guiding principles of universalism, holism, integration, and cultural relativism.

Who can benefit from a Minor in Anthropology?

The Anthropology Minor is designed to provide a broad educational base that can be the foundation of a liberal arts education, or a complement for a student's specific vocational or professional goals. In an increasingly diverse world, Anthropology is particularly valuable to students planning professional careers.

Within the School of Professional Studies, a minor in Anthropology is a great complement for majors in Criminal Justice, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work, and Interdisciplinary Studies.

Possible Careers

Anthropological training and skills can be applied in a broad number of areas, such as: Policy Research and Evaluation, Social Impact Assessment, Urban Planning, law, Forensics, Epidemiology, Nursing, Social Work, Marketing, Diplomacy, International Development, Cultural Resource Management, and Education. Over one half of Ph.D. Anthropologists work outside of academia within the fields listed above.

Prominent employers of Anthropologists include: The Department of the Interior, The Agency for International Development, The State Department, The Department of Education, The Department of Housing and Urban Development, The National Institutes of Health, the Centers for Disease Control, The Smithsonian, and various other research organizations.

Course Sequence (18 Credits)

ANTH 207	Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 208	Ethnological Profiles
ANTH 300	Physical Anthropology and Archaeology
ANTH 310	Religion, Myth, and Ritual
ANTH 400	Anthropological Theory
*ANTH 411	Special Topics in Anthropology, <i>OR</i>
ANTH 412	Anthropological Internship

* Anticipated special topics course offerings are *Anthropology of Education, Heritage, Culture, and Memory*, and *African American Anthropology*. A course in Applied Anthropology may also be added to the curriculum.