

Anthropology

Associate in Arts Degree

Program Information

Anthropology majors are encouraged to participate in community activities, archaeological internships, Sacramento Zoo activities, and to attend relevant guest lectures.

Career Opportunities

The Anthropology major is designed to prepare students for further study in Anthropology leading to BA, MA, and/or PhD degrees. Anthropologists with graduate degrees teach at high schools, colleges, and graduate levels. Archaeologists manage cultural resources for State, Federal, and Private organizations. Physical Anthropologists work in Forensics and Primatology. Both Archaeologists and Cultural Anthropologists manage and coordinate museums and research facilities.

Recommended High School Preparation

Preparatory courses including history, English, mathematics, and foreign languages.

Required Program

Units

ANTH 300 Physical Anthropology (3).....	3
or ANTH 480 Honors Physical Anthropology (3)	
ANTH 301 Physical Anthropology Laboratory.....	1
ANTH 310 Cultural Anthropology (3).....	3
or ANTH 481 Honors Cultural Anthropology (3)	
ANTH 320 Introduction to Archaeology and World Prehistory	3
ANTH 330 Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion (3)	3
or ANTH 332 Native Peoples of California (3)	
or ANTH 334 Native Peoples of North America (3)	
or ANTH 341 Introduction to Linguistics (3)	
A minimum of 12 units from the following:	12
GEOG 310 Human Geography: Exploring Earth's Cultural Landscapes (3)	
GEOG 300 Physical Geography: Exploring Earth's Environmental Systems (3)	
GEOG 390 Field Studies in Geography (0.5 - 4)	
HIST 307 History of World Civilizations to 1500 (3)	
HIST 308 History of World Civilizations, 1500 to Present (3)	
HIST 320 History of the United States: African-American Emphasis (3)	
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HIST 360 History of African Civilizations (3)	
HIST 364 Asian Civilization (3)	
HIST 373 History of Mexico (3)	
HIST 380 History of the Middle East (3)	
SOCSC 320 Socio-Cultural, Economic and Political Experience of the African-American (3)	
SOCSC 325 Asian Experience in America (3)	
SOCSC 330 Mexican-Americans in the United States (3)	

SOCSC 336 Native-American Culture and the Impact of Federal Policy (3)
SOC 321 Race, Ethnicity and Inequality in the United States (3)
SOCSC 352 Global Women's Issues (3)
or SOC 345 Global Women's Issues (3)
GEOG 308 Introduction to Geology (3)
GEOG 320 World Regional Geography (3)
or GEOG 480 World Regional Geography, Honors (3)
SOC 300 Introductory Sociology (3)
or SOC 480 Introductory Sociology - Honors (3)
SOC 310 Marriage and the Family (3)
or FCS 320 Marriage and the Family (3)
SOC 312 The Child, the Family and the Community (3)
or ECE 314 The Child, the Family and the Community (3)
or FCS 314 The Child, the Family and the Community (3)
SOC 335 Sociology of Aging (3)
or FCS 330 Sociology of Aging (3)
or GERON 300 Sociology of Aging (3)
SOC 341 Sex and Gender in the U.S. (3)
or FCS 326 Sex and Gender in the U.S. (3)

Total Units Required

25

Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree

The Associate in Arts Degree may be obtained by completion of the required program, plus general education requirements, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60 unit total. See SCC graduation requirements.

Anthropology (ANTH)

ANTH 300 Physical Anthropology 3 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better

General Education: AA/AS Area IV; CSU Area B2; IGETC Area 5B

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is an introduction to the science of physical anthropology. The topics to be covered will include: the field of anthropology; the scientific method; genetics and inheritance; natural selection; principles and mechanics of evolution; evidence of evolution; modern human variation; living primates; and the fossil evidence for human evolution.

ANTH 301 Physical Anthropology Laboratory 1 Unit

Prerequisite: ANTH 300 or 480 with a grade of "C" or better or concurrent enrollment in ANTH 300 or 480. ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

General Education: AA/AS Area IV; CSU Area B3; IGETC Area 5B
Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LAB

This introductory laboratory course is designed to familiarize students with the methods and materials of physical anthropology. Topics of significance covered in the course will include human osteology, forensic anthropology, genetics and evolutionary theory, biological classification, primatology, and the fossil evidence for the evolution of humans and their ancestors.

ANTH 310 Cultural Anthropology 3 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 4A

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is an introduction to the variety of customs, traditions, and forms of social organization in a variety of western and non-western societies. The main goal of the course is to understand the importance of culture for both the individual and societies. Anthropological concepts that will be stressed include human culture and language, cultural relativism, holism, ethnocentrism, cross-cultural comparisons, field work, and theory. Topics include the nature of culture, subsistence methods, religion, linguistics, trade and economic systems, arts, kinship, marriage and family systems, technology, and change.

ANTH 315 Cultures in Focus 3 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 4A

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

In this course, students will examine a variety of cultures with a focal emphasis on development problems. The historical and cultural context of development will be examined. The technological changes are examined as they impact ideological aspects of culture. Problems of overpopulation, underemployment, and famine will be studied.

ANTH 317 Cultures of Southeast Asia 3 Units

Prerequisite: None.

Advisory: ENGWR 100 or ESLW340 with a grade of "C" or better
General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 4A

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is an introduction to and comparison of the many cultures of Southeast Asia, including those in the countries of Vietnam, Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Malaysia, Indonesia, and the Philippines. Cultural themes will include prehistory, gender, religion, the arts, cuisines, economies, social organization, colonialism, conflict, development, and migration. The course will include studies of Southeast Asian communities in the United States, the historical precedents of their arrivals, and some of the challenges that they face as minority cultures.

ANTH 320 Introduction to Archaeology and World Prehistory 3 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 4A
Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is an introduction to the field of Archaeology and a survey of World Prehistory. Students will be introduced to the theories, concepts, and methods employed by archaeologists in the study of the human past. By examining the archaeological record of cultures in Africa, Europe, Asia, the Americas, and the Pacific Islands, students will explore the trajectory of human cultures from the Upper Paleolithic onward, using a range of case studies from around the world.

ANTH 322 Archeological Site Identification 1.5 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

Course Transferable to CSU

Hours: 27 hours LEC

This class provides classroom and field experience in all aspects of identifying prehistoric and historic sites: map reading, making sketch maps, artifact identification, historic and prehistoric background of Northern California, completing an official Site Survey Form acceptable to State Standards, and experience identifying sites in real field situations. Students receive partial preparation for entry level jobs with government agencies or archeological consulting firms. Two field trips are required.

ANTH 330 Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion 3 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

General Education: AA/AS Area I; AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 3B; IGETC Area 4A

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This is a cross-cultural study of the forms and functions and supernatural beliefs and associated rituals in various societies of Africa, Asia, aboriginal Australia, Oceania, South America, native North America, and elsewhere. The emphasis of the course is on understanding beliefs and rituals within their social contexts and on broad comparison to derive insight into the general functions of beliefs and rituals in human life.

ANTH 332 Native Peoples of California 3 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 4A

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course provides a study of the Native inhabitants of California from the prehistoric period to the present time, in addition to offering an introduction to the diversity and complexity of aboriginal California. It includes the environmental adaptation, material culture, social structure, ideology, and response to change. This course meets the SCC Multicultural Graduation Requirement for comparative examination of diverse culture groups in the U.S. In addition to gaining perspectives on the great diversity of aboriginal cultures in California, the student will examine the impact of the other Native and non-Native groups on those cultures.

ANTH 334 Native Peoples of North America 3 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 4A

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is an introductory survey of traditional Native American societies. In this course students will gain an understanding of the peoples and cultures of North America and evaluate native ecological adaptations, languages, social organizations, religion, mythologies and world view, and artistic representations. Perspectives on changes in traditional life and Native Americans' current social roles and statuses will be included.

ANTH 341 Introduction to Linguistics 3 Units

Prerequisite: ENGWR 50 and ENGWR 59 or ESLW 310 and ESLR 310 with grades of "C" or better.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 4A

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course will involve the student in the exploration of the role of language in social interaction and world view, minority languages and dialects, bilingualism, literacy, and the social motivation of language change. The student will also be introduced to the analytical techniques of linguistics and the demonstration of their relevance to language in sociocultural issues.

ANTH 480 Honors Physical Anthropology 3 Units

Prerequisite: None.

General Education: AA/AS Area IV; CSU Area B2; IGETC Area 5B

Enrollment Limitation: Eligibility for admission to the Honors Program.

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is a seminar-style Honors-level introduction to the science of physical anthropology. Topics will include: the field of anthropology; the scientific method; genetics and inheritance; natural selection; principles and mechanics of evolution; evidence of evolution; modern human variation; living primates; and the fossil evidence for human evolution. This honors section uses an intensive instructional methodology designed to challenge motivated students.

ANTH 481 Honors Cultural Anthropology 3 Units

Prerequisite: None.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D1; IGETC Area 4A

Enrollment Limitation: Eligibility for admission to the Honors Program.

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

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ANTH 494 Topics in Anthropology 1-3 Units

Prerequisite: Determined by topic.

Course Transferable to UC/CSU; UC Transfer credit will be awarded only after the course has been evaluated by the enrolling UC campus. The units completed for this course cannot be counted toward the minimum 60 units required for admissions.

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course provides an examination of specific topics from an anthropological perspective. The particular subject to be covered each semester will be determined by the anthropology faculty and depend on topical events. Students can earn from 1-3 units. Students should consult the schedule of classes for the specific topic.

**ANTH 495 Independent Studies 1-3 Units
in Anthropology**

Prerequisite: None

Course Transferable to UC/CSU; UC Transfer credit will be awarded only after the course has been evaluated by the enrolling UC campus. The units completed for this course cannot be counted toward the minimum 60 units required for admissions.

Hours: 54 hours LAB

See Independent Studies

**ANTH 499 Experimental Offering .5-4 Units
in Anthropology**

Prerequisite: None

Course Transferable to UC/CSU; UC Transfer credit will be awarded only after the course has been evaluated by the enrolling UC campus. The units completed for this course cannot be counted toward the minimum 60 units required for admissions.

Hours: 72 hours LEC

See Experimental Offerings