

Department of Sociology,
Social Work and Anthropology
College of Humanities, Arts,
and Social Sciences

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Admission Requirements For This Major

1. New freshmen admitted to USU in good standing qualify for admission to this major.
2. Transfer students from other institutions need a 2.5 total GPA for admission to this major in good standing.
3. Students transferring from other USU majors need a total GPA of 2.5 for admission to this major in good standing.

Anthropology Program

Anthropology is the integrated study of humans in all their aspects. It offers a broad framework for understanding humans as individuals and as members of widely varying societies through courses dealing with the biological evolution of humans, prehistoric culture change, and present diversity of cultures and human populations. Two parallel goals of the discipline are to explore and develop an appreciation for human diversity and the shared legacy of our common humanity.

Anthropology includes the following subspecialties: cultural anthropology, biological anthropology, archaeology, and linguistics. Major requirements are designed to encourage broad exploration across anthropology, and students who major in anthropology examine a wide range of peoples and cultures, both past and present. They examine lifeways as different as the hunter-gatherers of Ice-Age Europe, tribal horticulturalists of lush interior Amazonia, and the diverse ethnic neighborhoods of modern U.S. cities. They explore both the biological and cultural basis of human behavior, and examine how it is manifested in individuals and groups. Anthropology courses use both scientific and humanistic approaches to the study of humankind, in all its complexity. Courses emphasize critical reasoning, oral and written communication skills, and the expansion of thinking beyond the familiar.

The contemporary social science student lives in a world of diminishing cultural and national barriers. In this setting, a major in anthropology can lead to a wide variety of careers. Anthropologists are on the staff of leading medical, business, law, public affairs, and other professional schools, and have played critical roles in international ventures, public health programs, community development activities, and minority and migrant social actions. Additionally, anthropology serves applied interests in international development, archaeology and cultural resource management, cross-cultural health care, and osteology/forensics. With first-hand experience in every region of the country and around the world, anthropologists bring a unique understanding of specific social and ethnic groups and of the biological, ecological, and cultural factors that influence human behavior.

Special features of the anthropology program include smaller classes, individualized attention, opportunities for laboratory, museum, and field work, and the opportunity of working in teaching assistant positions. All these features give anthropology majors choices and experiences unavailable to undergraduates in most programs. The Anthropology Museum and Field Schools provide additional hands-on learning opportunities. Anthropology participates in the Department of Geology emphasis in Geoarchaeology, the American Studies Program, and the Folklore Program in the Department of English.

Anthropology Mission Statement

The mission of the Anthropology Program at Utah State University is to prepare students for careers requiring skills and knowledge from a synthesis of the liberal arts and natural sciences. Graduates in anthropology are broadly thinking individuals exhibiting intellectual depth, effective reading and writing skills, and

the ability to solve problems spanning the humanities, the natural sciences, and the cultural diversity characteristics of the modern world.

Program Learning Goals

Disciplinary Knowledge

1. Know the nature, intent, and scope of anthropology (cultural, biological, archaeology, linguistics).
2. Attain depth in one of the following subfields: cultural, biological, archaeology.
3. Know how science and humanities paradigms pertain to anthropological theory and method.
4. Be familiar with the cultures of a major world region.
5. Develop recognition of and respect for human differences.

Methods of Inquiry

1. Be able to compare and contrast major theoretical perspectives.
2. Become familiar with a range of anthropological methods.
3. Be able to apply methods specific to one of the subfields: cultural, biological, archaeology.

Skills and Career Competencies

1. Comprehend reading material appropriate to course levels.
2. Communicate effectively in written and oral forms.
3. Conduct library research using modern methods.
4. Use a computer for written work and for research.
5. Be able to think critically about issues requiring a synthesis of perspectives from the humanities and the sciences in a culturally diverse world.

Career Opportunities

Anthropology leads to a variety of "real-world" jobs. Anthropology graduates are: lawyers, nurses, health care administrators, travel consultants, teachers of all kinds, cultural resource professionals, agency and program administrators, and technical writers. They work for museums, government land management, environmental and Foreign Service agencies, Indian tribes, and are common in both the government and private sectors of the environmental-cultural heritage protection industry. They can be found in public and private foundations, bureaus, and agencies for the arts, humanities, sciences, and tourism.

Graduate study in anthropology opens the world of practicing anthropology. Not limited to college teaching, anthropologists with graduate degrees can be found in a variety of private sector and government agency positions.

For students seeking a dual major, an Anthropology major can complement a major in American Studies, Biology, Geology, Geography, History, Languages, and Political Science. It also pairs well with majors in Natural Resources, because cultural resource and Native American issues are important to many positions in private firms and government agencies concerned with land management and the environment.

Degrees and Programs Offered Through This Department

Sociology: Bachelor of Science (BS), Bachelor of Arts (BA)*, Master of Science (MS), Master of Arts (MA), and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
Social Work: Bachelor of Science (BS) and Bachelor of Arts (BA)*
Anthropology: Bachelor of Science (BS)¹ and Bachelor of Arts (BA)*
Social Sciences: Master of Social Sciences (MSS)

Academic Advisement

Upon declaring the anthropology major, each student is assigned an advisor. For an orientation to the major, new students should meet with any anthropology faculty member. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their advisor at least once per semester to review their academic progress, plan their program, and discuss postgraduate opportunities. Students are encouraged to consult with their advisor about course selection, academic programs, program requirements, and any other aspect of their college experience.

Questions concerning University Studies requirements should be directed to the College of HASS Advising Center, Taggart Student Center 302, 797-3883.

Anthropology Website

Students are strongly encouraged to use the Anthropology Home Page on the internet at: <http://www.usu.edu/anthro/> to obtain information about the program. The website describes all aspects of the program, including information about requirements, more detailed course descriptions than those in the *USU General Catalog*, tentative course schedules for the coming year, funding opportunities, information about hands-on opportunities in the program, and information about graduate school and employment.

Honors Option

Academically able students who would like to experience anthropology in greater depth are encouraged to enroll in Departmental Honors. Honors students will have the opportunity to work one-on-one with professors in select classes in anthropology. Through original, independent work, students will go beyond the basics and enjoy the benefits of close supervision and mentoring. The senior project will be another opportunity to collaborate with a faculty member on a problem that is significant personally and in the student's discipline. Participating in Departmental Honors will enhance students' chances of obtaining fellowships and admission to graduate school. The campus-wide Honors program (<http://www.usu.edu/honors/>), which is open to all Honors students, regardless of major, offers a rich program of cultural and social activities, special classes, and the benefit of priority registration. Honors students are also eligible to participate in Lambda Alpha, the local chapter of the National Honor Society in anthropology.

Departmental Honors Advisor:

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Eligibility for Acceptance:

Qualified students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.3 and must have declared a major or minor in the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology.

Program of Study:

The 16-credit requirement for the Honors degree includes:

1. Nine upper-division Honors credits in anthropology courses.
2. One credit of ANTH 5980, Senior Project (must be taken in conjunction with a 4000/5000-level course), in consultation with the instructor of that course. (See Anthropology website or Departmental Honors advisor for specific instructions and deadlines).
3. Three credits of HONR 4900H, Senior Thesis/Project.
4. The balance of the upper-division Honors credits (16 credits) can be taken outside the department.

Requirements for Completion of Degree:

A cumulative GPA of 3.3 and a GPA of 3.5 in upper-division major requirements and Honors coursework is required for graduation with Departmental Honors. A senior Honors Thesis/Project and presentation of the results in a public forum (e.g., Student Showcase, Departmental colloquia, professional meetings) are also required.

Graduation Requirements: BS¹ and BA* Degrees in Anthropology

Minimum University Requirements**

Total credits	120
Grade point average (most majors require higher GPA)	2.00 GPA ²
Credits of C- or better	100
Credits of upper-division courses (#3000 or above)	40
USU credits	30
(20 of which must be upper division, including 10 required by major)	
Completion of approved major program of study	See department
Credits in minor (if required by department)	12
Credits in American Institutions (ECON 1500; HIST 1700, 2700, or 2710; POLS 1100; or USU 1300).	3
University Studies requirements	See below

*A BA degree requires foreign language training. A grade of C or better is required for courses counting toward the major. For further information, see the *Online General Catalog*.

**Colleges and departments may require more credits or a higher GPA. See requirements on this sheet.

¹Students planning to receive a BS degree must complete STAT 1040, Introduction to Statistics (3 credits); **and** two courses selected from a list of courses approved by the Anthropology Program. A grade of C or better is required for courses counting toward the major.

²A 2.5 GPA is required for the Anthropology major.

University Studies Requirements for Anthropology Major

Note: Approved University Studies courses and requirements are listed in the back section of each semester's *Schedule of Classes*.

General Education Requirements (30-33 credits)

Competency Requirements (9 credits)

Communications Literacy (CL1 and CL2) (6 credits)

ENGL 1010 (CL1) (3 credits) or satisfactory AP, CLEP, IBO, ACT, or SAT score

AND

ENGL 2010 (CL2) (3 credits) or satisfactory IBO score

Quantitative Literacy (QL) (3 credits)

STAT 1040, which is required for the Anthropology BS degree, will meet this requirement.

Computer and Information Literacy (0 credits)

Passing grade on six computer and information literacy related examinations.

Breadth Requirements (18-20 credits)

Select at least one approved course from each of the following six categories: **American Institutions (BAI)**, **Creative Arts (BCA)**, **Humanities (BHU)**, **Life Sciences (BLS)**, **Physical Sciences (BPS)**, and **Social Sciences (BSS)**. At least two of the six breadth courses must be University Studies courses with a **USU prefix** (excluding USU 1000, 1010, 1100, 3330, 4900, and 6900). (CLEP or AP credit may be used.) ANTH 1010 or 2030³ will fulfill the Social Sciences requirement and ANTH 1020 will fulfill the Life Sciences requirement for students in the Anthropology major.

Exploration Requirement (3-4 credits)

Choose an additional class from one of the following General Education categories: QL, BAI, BCA, BHU, BLS, BPS, or BSS.

Depth Education Requirements

Communications Intensive (CI) (2 courses)

ANTH 2030³ (required), plus another course having CI designation, will meet this requirement.

Quantitative Intensive (QI) (1 course)

ANTH 4150, 4250, or another course having a QI designation will meet this requirement.

Depth Course Requirements (4 credits minimum, including 2 credits minimum completed in each of two courses)

Complete at least 2 credits in approved 3000-level or above courses from each of the following two categories: **Humanities and Creative Arts (DHA)** and **Life and Physical Sciences (DSC)**.

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Minimum GPA for Admission: 2.5, Career

Minimum GPA for Graduation: 2.5, major requirements, including BS and BA required courses; 2.0, Career

Minimum Grade Accepted: C in major requirements, including BS and BA required courses

Number of Required Credits: 39

Other Requirements: BS candidates must complete STAT 1040 and other BS courses with a grade of C or better. BA candidates must complete foreign language courses with a grade of C or better.

Students majoring in anthropology must maintain a minimum 2.5 overall GPA in anthropology courses. **A grade of C or better must be attained in all courses counted for the major, including foreign language and BS required courses.** Required and elective courses are grouped and clearly distinguished in the section below entitled **Course Requirements and Electives.**

Anthropology Course Numbering System. The course subdiscipline within anthropology is identified by the second digit in the four-digit course number. Cultural anthropology courses use a 1 (e.g., ANTH 3160, Anthropology of Religion), biological/physical anthropology courses use a 2 (e.g., ANTH 3200, Perspectives on Race), and archaeology courses use a 3.

Methods Component. Majors must complete one *methods course* (designated as “methods” in course list below). The course chosen to meet this requirement may also count toward other anthropology major requirements.

Residence. A minimum of 16 credits of the anthropology course credits counting toward the major must be Utah State University courses. Credits from other institutions and from USU distance and residence centers are subject to departmental approval for application toward the anthropology major.

Foreign Language and Statistics Recommendation. Anthropology majors are encouraged to complete both the foreign language (BA degree) and the statistics requirements (BS degree), especially if they are contemplating graduate study. However, this is *not* required.

Course Requirements and Electives

A. Required Courses (13 credits)

Credits

- ANTH 1010 (BSS) Cultural Anthropology (F,Sp) 3
- ANTH 1020 (BLS) Biological Anthropology (F) 3
- ANTH 1099 Resources in Anthropology at USU (F) 1
- ANTH 2030 (BSS/CI)³ World Archaeology (F,Sp) 3 (formerly ANTH 1030)
- ANTH 3990 History and Theories of Anthropology (F) 3

B. Breadth-in-Anthropology Structured Electives (18 credits minimum)

Students must take a minimum of *two* courses from *each* of the following three groups. Courses at the 2000 and 3000 level are foundational courses, while those at the 4000 level and above build on knowledge gained in these courses. Therefore, it is *highly* recommended that students take *lower*-division courses before taking *upper*-division courses and that students check with professors to make sure that any prerequisites have been fulfilled before enrolling in upper-division courses. (Note: A methods course *may* be counted as one of the two required courses).

1. Cultural Anthropology (choose a minimum of 6 credits)

Cultural anthropology encompasses a wide range of topics and interests, ranging from the broadly comparative and explanatory to the deeply interpretive and meaning-centered. Theoretical orientations and the methods “tool-kit” used to conduct research in cultural anthropology vary accordingly. While many anthropology graduates pursue further study, perspectives and skills learned in the courses listed below also make anthropology majors well-suited to a variety of “real world” jobs. Options include (but are not limited to) positions in social service agencies (both governmental and private); public educational institutions (such as museums and folk-life centers); ethnic, cultural, and immigrant organizations; elementary and secondary schools; health care agencies which serve diverse populations; foreign service and foreign aid agencies; businesses with international and interethnic dimensions; and diversity training programs.

Credits

- ANTH 2010 (BSS)³ Peoples of the Contemporary World (Sp) 3 (formerly ANTH 2100)
- ANTH 3110 North American Indian Cultures (F) 3
- ANTH 3130 (CI) Peoples of Latin America. 3
- ANTH 3150 Applied Anthropology Survey: History, Uses, Methods, and Careers (Methods) (F,Sp) 3
- ANTH 3160 (DSS) Anthropology of Religion (F). 3
- ANTH 4110/6110 (DSS) Southwest Indian Cultures, Past and Present (F) 3
- ANTH 4120 (CI/DSS) Anthropology of Childhood (Methods) (Sp) . . . 3
- ANTH 4130 (DSS) Medical Anthropology: Matter, Culture, Spirit, and Health (Sp) 3
- ANTH 4150 (QI) Problems in Cultural Anthropology (Methods) (F) 3
- ANTH 5100/6100 (DSS) Anthropology of Sex and Gender (F,Sp) . . . 3
- ANTH 5120/6120 Applied Rural Development (Sp) 3
- ANTH 5130/6130 Ethnographic Field School (Methods) (Su) . . . 3-6
- ANTH 5160/6160 (DSS) Cities and Development (F,Sp). 3

2. Biological/Physical Anthropology (choose a minimum of 6 credits)

Biological anthropology explores topics in human biology ranging from evolutionary history to modern biocultural diversity. Coursework provides students with a foundation in human biology and evolutionary ecology, along with hands-on experience in the analysis of human and animal bones from ancient and modern contexts. In conjunction with allied courses in archaeology, cultural anthropology, and biology, biological anthropology can prepare students for advanced training in medicine, public health, medical anthropology, archaeology, bioarchaeology, primatology, museology, and forensics, as well as for one of the many career opportunities listed above. The following courses are recommended as allied courses: Biology I and II (BIOL 1610, 1620), Human Physiology (BIOL 2420), Human Anatomy (BIOL 2320), and General Ecology (BIOL 2220).

Credits

- ANTH 3200 (CI/DSS) Perspectives on Race (Sp) 3
- ANTH 3250 Osteology (Methods) (F) 3
- ANTH 4250 (QI) Problems in Bioarchaeology (Methods) (Sp) . . . 3
- ANTH 5210 Physical Anthropology Lab (Methods) 1-3

3. Archaeology (choose a minimum of 6 credits)

Employment in archaeology requires hands-on field and laboratory experience, familiarity with archaeological method and theory, and the knowledge of the laws regarding cultural resources. Undergraduates can gain this experience in Utah to lay the foundation for fieldwork opportunities in other world regions, as well as to explore specialty areas in archaeology. Upon graduation, archaeology leads to employment as a field/lab archaeologist in the western U.S. and opens opportunities for work on foreign archaeological projects. Employment also is found in cultural resource management for government agencies, and in archaeological education programs with agencies, museums, and parks. Graduate study leads to specialty areas including (but not limited to) bioarchaeology, geoarchaeology, historical archaeology, paleoecology, geographic information systems (GIS), zooarchaeology, and lithic, ceramic, and botanical studies. Students pursuing archaeology interests in anthropology should ask their advisor for a list of allied courses offered at USU.

Credits

- ANTH 3300 (DSS) Archaeology in North America (F,Sp) 3
- ANTH 3320 (DSS) Ancient Humans and the Environment (F) 3
- ANTH 3350 (DSS) Archaeology of Ancient Civilizations (Sp) 3
- ANTH 4350 Archaeological Method/Theory and Cultural Resource Management (Sp) 3
- ANTH 4360 (DSS) Ancient Desert West (F) 3
- ANTH 4380 Peopling of the New World (Sp) 3

C. Capstone Courses (3 credits minimum, choose at least one course)

The capstone experience is an integral part of the anthropology major and consists of one advanced course in archaeology, cultural anthropology, or biological anthropology chosen from the list below. In this course, students are challenged to think critically and synthetically about the central theoretical paradigms and problems of the relevant subdiscipline. While choice of capstone course is open, students are strongly encouraged to enroll in a course that will complement their special interests and emphases as well as previous courses they have taken. *Note:* The capstone course *may not* be used to satisfy the 6-credit minimum requirement in section 1, 2, or 3 of section B, above.

	Credits
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 4250 (QI) Problems in Bioarchaeology (Methods) (Sp)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 4350 Archaeological Method/Theory and Cultural Resource Management (Sp)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 4990 Contemporary Issues in Anthropology (Sp)	3

D. Departmental Electives

Note: Departmental electives *do not* count toward minor requirements. *Methods* courses require permission of the instructor.

<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 2210 (BHU) ³ Introduction to Folklore (F,Sp) (formerly ANTH 1710)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 2720 Survey of American Folklore (Sp)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 3310 (CI) Introduction to Museum Studies (Methods) (Sp)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH/HIST/LANG 3550 (DHA) Culture of East Asia	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 4100 The Study of Language (F,Sp)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 4370 Archaeology and Paleoenvironments Field Trip (F)	2
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 4800 Topics in Anthropology	1-3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 5190 Applied Anthropology Practicum (Methods)	1-5
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 5300 Archaeology Field School (Methods) (Su)	3-5
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 5310 Archaeology Lab (Methods)	1-3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 5650/6650 (DSS) Developing Societies (F)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 5700 Folk Narrative (Sp)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 5800 Museum Development (Methods) (F,Sp,Su)	1-3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 5900 Independent Studies	1-3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 5980 Senior Project	1
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 6900 Independent Studies	1-3
<input type="checkbox"/> SOC 4730 Women in International Development (Sp)	3

Anthropology Minor

(minimum of 18 credits with 2.5 GPA in minor)

Students minoring in anthropology must maintain a 2.5 GPA in anthropology courses. A grade of C or better must be attained in *all* courses counting toward the minor.

A minimum of 12 credits of the anthropology course credits counting toward the minor must be Utah State University courses. Credits from distance and residence centers are subject to departmental approval for application toward the anthropology minor.

A. Required Courses (9 credits)	Credits
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 1010 (BSS) Cultural Anthropology (F,Sp)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 1020 (BLS) Biological Anthropology (F)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTH 2030 (BSS/CI) ³ World Archaeology (F,Sp) (formerly ANTH 1030)	3

B. Breadth-in-Archaeology Structured Electives (9 credits minimum)

In addition to the required courses, students must complete a minimum of 9 credits (ANTH 2010³, 3000-5000 level courses) in anthropology from the *Structured Electives* in Cultural Anthropology, Biological Anthropology, or Archaeology. (*Departmental Electives* do not count toward minor requirements).

³Due to House Bill 320 (Common Course Numbering), ANTH 1030 was changed to ANTH 2030, ANTH 2100 was changed to ANTH 2010, and ANTH 1710 was changed to ANTH 2210, effective Summer Semester 2006.

Requirement Changes

Graduation requirements shown on this sheet are subject to change. Students should check with their departments concerning possible changes.

Materials for Persons with Disabilities

This requirement sheet is available in digital format, recordings, or large print upon request to the USU Disability Resource Center.

For information contact

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Or

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