

B.A. in Anthropology—Archaeology Concentration

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What is the study of Anthropology/Archaeology?

Anthropology explores what it means to be human. Anthropology is the scientific study of humankind in all the cultures of the world, both past and present. This study includes humankind's physical development and the wide diversity of lifestyles people have created. The cross-cultural approach of Anthropology provides a

framework for understanding what it means to be human in all its diverse facets. The Anthropologist studies culture and the processes of human development. The Anthropology Department provides training in four sub disciplines: Cultural Anthropology, Archaeology, Physical Anthropology and Anthropological Linguistics.

Using ethnographic, ethnological and ethno historical tools and information supplied by the four sub disciplines, the Anthropologist studies cultures and the processes of human development comparatively.

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Why should I consider an Anthropology/Archaeology Major?

Do you find human diversity and various cultures fascinating? Do you like to approach subjects from multiple perspectives? Do you prefer a holistic style of learning? Do you want to

know why as well as how? Are you fascinated by human diversity? Are you enthusiastic, intelligent, and open-minded? If so, you may wish to consider a major in Anthropology. The

Archaeology concentration is intended for students who plan to do professional work or enroll in a graduate program in archaeology.

Declaring an Anthropology/Archaeology Major:

Set up an advising appointment as early as possible to explore and declare a major in Anthropology. Prospective majors who have taken Anthropology courses at a community college, or a

college or university other than WWU, need to bring an unofficial copy of college transcripts to their appointment with an advisor. Advisors will provide information about the

different Anthropology majors, answer questions regarding major and develop a plan of study.

Mid Program Checkpoint:

Students intending to complete a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Anthropology/Archaeology within four years should complete the following courses by the start of their junior year. Students are expected to follow all prerequisite requirements for courses and seek early departmental advisement.

Coursework:

Complete ANTH 201, 210, 215.

Begin assembling materials for ANTH 496 Portfolio Assembly.

Other Activities:

Discuss requirements, related majors, and registration choices with the Anthropology undergraduate advisor.

Declare an Anthropology major.

Join the Anthropology Club.

Sample Career Fields:

- International Studies
- Ethnologist
- Museum Curator
- Overseas Consultant
- Researcher
- Archaeologist
- Politics
- Governmental Advisor
- Cultural Diversity Programs

Anthropology/Archaeology Major Requirements: 80 Credits

Core Component:

ANTH 201 Cultural Anthropology (5)

*At least one course in each of the major subfields:

Physical Anthropology, Archaeology, Linguistics (LING 201 or 204, or ENG 370 may be substituted for an anthropological linguistic course)

ANTH 301 Anthropological Theory (5)

ANTH 303 Qualitative Methods in Anthropology (5)

ANTH 335 Quantitative Methods in Anthropology (5), or another basic statistics course under advisement

ANTH 490 Senior Seminar in Anthropology (5), or other culminating project under advisement

ANTH 496 Portfolio Assembly (1)

Culture Region Component: one course minimum

ANTH 361 Native Peoples of North America (5)

ANTH 362 Peoples of Asia (5)

ANTH 364 Peoples of the Pacific (5)

ANTH 365 Peoples of Latin America (5)

ANTH 460 Culture and Society of Japan (4)

ANTH462 Native Peoples of the Northwest (3)

ANTH 463 Peoples of South and Southeast Asia (3)

ANTH 464 Peoples of East Asia (3)

ANTH 465 Peoples of Mexico and Central America (5)

Topical Component: one course minimum

ANTH 330 Religion and Culture (5)

ANTH 338

ANTH350 The Ecology of Human Variation (5)

ANTH 351 Family and Kinship Organization (5)

ANTH 353 Sex and Gender in Culture (5)

ANTH 382 Sociobiology (4)

ANTH 424 Medical Anthropology (5)

ANTH 429 Political Anthropology (3)

ANTH 431 Anthropological Aspects of Archaeoastronomy (3)

ANTH 453 Women of Global South (5)

ANTH 475 International Migration (4)

ANTH 481 Childhood and Culture (4)

ANTH 484 Cross-Cultural Education (4)

Archaeology Concentration:

Above Anthropology major requirements and:

Two from the following courses:

ANTH 308 Hunger/Gatherer Societies in World PreHistory (4)

ANTH 310 The Rise of Civilizations (4)

ANTH 314 Archaeology of North America (5)

ANTH 431 Anthropological Aspects of Archaeoastronomy (3)

Two from the following courses:

ANTH 406 Archaeological Method and Theory (5)

ANTH 410 Archaeological Analysis and Interpretation (5)

ANTH 411 Archaeology of Northwestern North America (3)

Other Anthropology options:

B.A. in Anthropology (65 credits)

B.A. in Anthropology/Biology (89 credits)

B.S. in Biology/Anthropology (101-104 credits)

B.A. in Anthropology/Social Studies (86-88 credits)

ANTH 428 Cultural Resource Management (4)

Two from the following courses:

ANTH 382 Sociobiology (4)

ANTH 420 Human Osteology and Forensic Anthropology (5)

ANTH 422 Nutritional Anthropology (5)

ANTH 470 Museology Studies (3-5)

The following required courses:

ANTH 312 Field Course in Archaeology or equivalent field Experience optional—not required (12)

Elective credits in Anthropology

12 credits of support courses in Sciences, History or Mathematics selected under advisement.

Strongly recommended courses include:

GEOL 310 Geomorphology w/Lab (5)

GEOL 316 Research/Marine Paleontology w/Lab (4)

GEOL 413 Fluvial Geomorphology w/Lab (4)

GEOL 415 Stratigraphy/Sedimentation w/Lab (4)

GEOL 442 Introduction to Remote Sensing w/Lab (5)

GEOL 447 Introduction to GIS (3)

EGEO 330 Geography of Landforms (4)

EGEO 351 Map Reading and Analysis (3)

EGEO 352 Computer Cartography (2)

EGEO 432 Geography of Soils (4)

EGEO 433 Climate and Biophysical Processes (4)

EGEO 452 Advanced GIS (4)

These required or elective courses will also satisfy the GUR or other Graduation Requirement:

QSR: ANTH 335

SSC: ANTH 201, 210

ACGM: ANTH 362, 364, 365

BGCM: ANTH 353, 361

LSCI: ANTH 215

WP: ANTH 350, 411, 423, 424, 440, 456, 457, 464, 466, 471

B.A. in Anthropology—Biocultural Concentration (95-98 credits)

B.A. Ed. In Anthropology—Elementary (45 credits + 107 for Elementary Education Professional Program.)

Minor in Anthropology (25 credits)