

ANTHROPOLOGY

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Majors Offered	Major Requirements	Number Credits	Recommended Required GER	Prereq	Recommended Minor
BA in Anthropology	An overview of the discipline, as well as training in all four fields of the subject (archaeology, cultural anthropology and ethnology, anthropological linguistics, and biological anthropology). ANTHP 101 or 1024 ANTHC 151.....3 ANTHC 126.....3 ANTHC 314.....3 ANTHC 318.....3 Elective courses (selected from the above fields) ..9 Total credits25	25	2B ANTHC 101	ANTHC 101	Sociology, history, languages, biology, geology, psychology, art, art history, and classics; other choices may also be suitable. Consult undergraduate adviser or department chair. Can minor in one of the four fields of anthropology by combining courses from other departments.

Accelerated BA/MA Program in Anthropology

130 credits total, including at least 30 graduate credits. Students pursue the MA degree as part of the undergraduate curriculum by substituting graduate courses for electives in the degree program. Students may substitute graduate courses for undergraduate courses except for ANTHP 101 and 102. Participants fulfill all requirements for the BA and MA degrees in anthropology.

Anthropology is the study of past and present peoples. Among the social sciences, anthropology is distinguished by its comparative approach to peoples and cultures. As a major in a liberal arts curriculum, it provides students with basic and advanced training in all four branches of the discipline: cultural anthropology (ethnology), archaeology, biological anthropology and anthropological linguistics. Major and minor programs are designed to prepare students for postgraduate activities, which include graduate studies and research. Students are also prepared for careers in teaching, social work and work in museums, government and industry, both domestic and overseas. Many use anthropology as a prelaw or premedical degree. Hunter College also offers a master of arts degree in anthropology; a doctoral degree in anthropology is offered by The City University of New York, of which Hunter is a senior college member.

MAJOR

The anthropology major is designed to give students an overview of the discipline, as well as training in all four fields of the subject (archaeology, cultural anthropology and ethnology, anthropological linguistics and biological anthropology). The anthropology major consists of 25 credits [see table below].

Note: While ANTHC 101 is a prerequisite for many courses in cultural anthropology, including some of the required courses, it is not itself included in the courses required for the major.

Minor

The minor consists of 12 credits. Sociology, history, education, languages, biology, geology, psychology, art, art history and classics are often selected as minor concentrations, but they are not the only suitable choices. The minor for the anthropology major should be selected after consultation with the undergraduate adviser or the department chair.

It is also possible for the anthropology major to minor in one of the four fields of anthropology by combining relevant courses from other departments:

- Anthropological Linguistics—relevant courses in anthropological linguistics (in the department of anthropology) and in classics, English, film and media, German, Hebrew, philosophy, Romance languages, Russian and theatre.

- Archaeology—relevant courses in prehistoric archaeology (in the department of anthropology) and in art, chemistry, classics, geography, geology, history, mathematics and physics.
- Cultural Anthropology or Ethnology—relevant courses in cultural anthropology (in the department of anthropology) and in art, classics, education, economics, English, geography, geology, Latin American and Caribbean studies, mathematics, music, philosophy, political science, psychology, sociology and foreign languages.
- Physical Anthropology—relevant courses in physical anthropology (in the department of anthropology) and in biological sciences, chemistry, geography, geology, mathematics and physics.

Major Requirements

Field	Courses	Credits
Biological Anthropology: Human Evolution or Human Variation	ANTHP 101 or 102	4
Linguistics: Intro to Linguistics	ANTHC 151	3
Archaeology: Intro to Prehistoric Archaeology General	ANTHC 126	3
Research: Design General	ANTHC 314	3
History of Anthropological Theory	ANTHC 318	3
Elective courses	(selected from above fields)	9
Total credits		25

Minor for Non-Majors

Students wishing to minor in anthropology should consult their major adviser for appropriate course recommendations.

Honors Work

Honors work is possible in each of the major branches of anthropology. The emphasis is on independent student research under the supervision of a faculty member. In order to graduate with departmental honors in anthropology, a student must: (1) have taken at least 2 credits of ANTHC 400; (2) have a GPA in the major of not less than 3.5 and a cumulative GPA of not

less than 2.8 at the time of graduation; and (3) complete a departmental honors form available from the departmental undergraduate adviser.

ANTH 400 Honors Project (available to students in each of the four fields of anthropology) Open to qualified juniors and seniors every semester. Research under supervision of a faculty member. From 2 to 3 credits per semester, depending on the nature of the student's work. May be taken for 1, 2, or 3 semesters for a maximum of 6 credits. To apply, students must (1) present a research plan prepared in conjunction with a faculty member; (2) have this plan approved by the undergraduate adviser and the department chair; and (3) obtain approval prior to preregistration.

The COR Program

The departments of psychology, anthropology and sociology jointly offer a program called COR (Career Opportunities in Research and Education). This interdisciplinary research training program for talented minority juniors and seniors is funded by the National Institute of Mental Health. Participants receive a monthly stipend and tuition and fee remission; they take a special curriculum and get individualized research training in a variety of areas under the supervision of a faculty mentor. The program has several levels of participation and all minority students—especially freshmen and sophomores-intending to pursue a research related career in the participating disciplines are urged to register with the program. Additional details and descriptive literature are available from the COR program manager, 532 Hunter North, (212) 772-4562.

Interdepartmental Fields

Students who want to do work in anthropology as part of an interdepartmental field, such as Africana and Puerto Rican/Latino studies, Latin American and Caribbean studies, religion, urban affairs and planning, or women's studies, should refer to descriptions under the department or field of their interest.

BA/MA Program in Anthropology

A special feature of the Hunter Anthropology Department is the innovative BA/MA program, designed to permit a small number of highly motivated students to begin graduate study before completing their undergraduate degrees. The program allows students to pursue the MA degree as part of the undergraduate curriculum by substituting graduate courses for electives in their degree programs. Participants fulfill all the requirements for the BA and MA degrees in anthropology.

The total number of credits taken by the student is 130. At least 30 must be graduate credits (the same number of course credits required of a student admitted as a matriculated graduate student with a BA in hand). Graduate courses may fulfill undergraduate major requirements with the exception of ANTHP 101 and 102. Applicants to the BA/MA program must have a minimum GPA of 3.25 and a minimum of 3.5 in their anthropology courses. Students must apply to the program early in their academic careers, usually before beginning the junior year.

COURSE LISTINGS

BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY, GENETICS AND PALEONTOLOGY

ANTHP 101 Human Evolution

GER 2/E

Ethnology, morphology, paleontology and genetics pertaining to living and extinct hominids.

*6 hrs (3 lec, 3 lab), 4 cr.
offered every sem.*

ANTHP 102 Human Variation

GER 2/E

Genetic and racial analysis of contemporary human populations. Lab experiments and demonstrations.

*6 hrs (3 lec, 3 lab), 4 cr.
offered every sem.*

ANTHP 301 Human Fossil Record

GER 3/B PD/C

The hominid fossil record of Africa, Asia and Europe. Human evolution as evidenced in fossil record.

*prereq: ANTHP 101, 102, or equiv.
3 hrs, 3 cr.*

ANTHP 310 Primate Ecology and Behavior

GER 3/B

Examination of ecological factors responsible for the distribution and behavior of living primate species.

*prereq: ANTHP 101 or 102 or BIOL 100 or 102
3 hrs, 3 cr.*

ANTHP 311 Primate Evolution

GER 3/B

Evolution of primate behavior and morphology; interdependence of ecology, behavior and morphology.

*prereq: ANTHP 101 or perm instr.
3 hrs, 3 cr.*

ANTHP 316 Human Evolutionary Adaptations

GER 3/B

Studies adaptive significance of distinctive biological features of human species, including brain size, secondary sexual characteristics, sparse body hair and use of complex language.

*prereq: ANTHP 101 or 102 or BIOL 100 or 102
3 hrs, 3 cr.*

ANTHP 401 Seminars in Selected Topics

Course provides in-depth study of specific topics in field of physical anthropology.

*prereq: depends on topic
3 hrs, 3 cr.*

CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY AND ETHNOLOGY

ANTHC 101 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

GER 2/B PD/A

Comparative and historical examination of the human condition through a focus on diverse responses to universal problems, such as making a living, resolving conflict, organizing family/kin relations and finding meaning in the world.

*3 hrs, 3 cr.
offered every sem.*

ANTHC 102 Contemporary Issues in Anthropological Perspectives

Anthropological perspectives on current issues such as crime, war, sex differences, cults and energy crisis.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 200 Africa: Societies and Cultures

GER 3/B PD/A

Pre-colonial, colonial and contemporary communities, subsistence and exchange systems and ecological adaptations.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 201 The Middle East: Societies and Cultures

GER 3/B PD/A

Peasant, nomadic and urban society; kinship, ethnic, religious and ecological diversity; colonialism and modernization.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 204 East Asia: Societies and Cultures

GER 3/B PD/A

Historical and regional variation in various East Asian societies, with a focus on political economy, family, kinship, community and national minorities.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 211 Native North America: Societies and Cultures

GER 3/B PD/A or B

Adaptive strategies and cultural variations in pre- and post-contact periods; problems in contemporary societies.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 213 Latin America: Societies and Cultures

GER 3/B PD/A

Development and organization of tropical forest Indians, hacienda and plantation economies, peasant and urban societies.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 214 The Caribbean: Societies and Cultures

GER 3/B PD/A

Indigenous peoples, colonization and slavery; minorities, race relations; family life, religion and economy.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 215(W) The Anthropology of Black America

GER 3/B PD/B

Examines anthropological knowledge about Black America and the various socio-political contexts in which this body of scholarship has been produced. Focuses on the politics of knowledge production and Black culture.

*prereq: ENGL 120
3 hrs, 3 cr.*

ANTHC 275(W) Reading Ethnographies

GER 3/B

Examines the most significant mode of writing within cultural anthropology: the ethnography. Students explore interpretive, theoretical and political issues in the representation of cultures through close reading and analysis of ethnographic texts.

*prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.
pre- or coreq: ENGL 120
3 hrs, 3 cr.*



ANTHC 301 Gender in Anthropological Perspective

GER 3/B PD/C

Men and women in different societies, division of labor, socialization, stratification, political activism and gender construction.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 304 Economy and Culture

GER 3/B PD/A

Various systems of production, consumption and exchange; relationship to politics and ecology; connections between rural, urban and global economies.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 305 Psychological Anthropology

GER 3/B PD/A

Factors related to cross-cultural variation in personality, including male-female relationships and sexual preferences. Psychological explanations of different customs (initiation, folktales, games).

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 306 Folklore and Myth

GER 3/B

Cultural and psychological functions and symbolic meanings.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 307 Anthropology of Religion

GER 3/B PD/A

Emphasis on non-Western societies; theories of religion, magic; functions and symbolic meaning.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 308 Human Ecology

GER 3/B PD/A

Relationship between human populations and environment; ecosystems, population interactions, resource management and environmental movements.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 310 Politics and Power in Anthropological Perspective

GER 3/B PD/A

Leadership, conflict, inequality, decision-making and law in different societies; interaction of local politics with state and global institutions.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 311 Anthropology of Art

GER 3/B

Symbolic forms of human behavior; paleolithic cave art, tribal art, ethnomusicology.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 312 Anthropological Approaches to Sexuality

GER 3/B PD/C

Documents the social construction of human sexuality through an examination of sexual variation cross-culturally and over recent history, including the development of sexually defined communities and identities within contemporary societies.

prereq: ANTHC 101
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 314 Research Design in Anthropology

GER 3/B

Introduction to basic principles of research design employed in anthropology.

prereq: ANTHC 101
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 315 Applied Anthropology

GER 3/B

Practical applications of theory and methods to contemporary social problems; community development; intercultural relations.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 318 History of Anthropological Theory

GER 3/B PD/D

Changing approaches to the study of society and culture. Political and historical context of the development of theory, the link between theory and method and the impact of theory on policy.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.
3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 320 Problems in Anthropology

GER 3/B

Topics TBA. Recent courses have looked at globalization, social movements and civil society, energy policy, women and economic development, international migration. Depending on topic, may meet PD/A, B, or C.

prereq: perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

offered every sem.

ANTHC 321 Women and Globalization

GER 3/B

The situation of women from less developed countries with attention to the local and global forces shaping their lives. Topics include migration, the international division of labor and worldwide adoption. Includes both theoretical approaches and practical issues related to improving women's place in society.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 322 Family and Household in Anthropology and History

GER 3/B PD/C

Examines variations in household structure and family relations across cultures and over time, focusing on the relationship between domestic arrangements and other aspects of society.

pre- or coreq: ANTHC 101

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 325 Special Projects and Independent Research in Anthropology

GER 3/B

prereq: perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

offered every sem.

ANTHC 332 East Asia: Societies and Cultures

GER 3/B

Historical and regional variation in various East Asian societies with a focus on political economy, kinship, community and national minorities.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 334 Latin America: Societies and Cultures

GER 3/B

Changing views of US and Latin American anthropologists on ethnic, class and gender relations, underdevelopment, migration and social movements.

prereq: ANTHC 101 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 350 Popular Culture: Anthropological Perspectives

GER 3/B

The comparative ethnographic and theoretical study of popular and expressive culture traditions from around the world.

prereq: ANTHC 101, ENGL 120, or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 400 Honors Projects

prereq: perm chair

offered every sem.

ANTHC 401 Seminars in Selected Topics

Topics TBA.

LINGUISTICS

ANTHC 151 Introduction to Linguistics

GER 2/B

Structure and analysis of human languages; language history; language in society, culture and mind; language universals.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 260 North American Indian Languages and Cultures

GER 3/B

Linguistic analysis and sociocultural background of North American Indian languages.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 263 Afro-New World Languages and Cultures

GER 3/B

Linguistic analysis, history, sociocultural background of Caribbean Creole languages, other Afro-American speech forms.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 351 Language in Culture and Society

GER 3/B

Sociolinguistics; ethnography of communication; languages and dialects; face-to-face interaction; bilingualism in social and political life; language, ideology and identity.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 353 Phonological Analysis and Theory

GER 3/B

Phonetics of diverse languages, their phonemic analysis at different levels of theory, including distinctive feature analysis and phonological links to grammar.

prereq: ANTHC 151 or equiv.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 354 Grammatical Analysis and Theory

GER 3/B

Methods of syntax and morphology in work with diverse languages; syntactic theories and their development relative to universals, semantics, pragmatics, discourse.

prereq: ANTHC 151 or equiv.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ARCHAEOLOGY

ANTHC 126 Introduction to Prehistoric

Archaeology

GER 2/B

Human social and cultural evolution from the earliest humans to the rise of the first civilizations.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

offered every sem.

ANTHC 127 Introduction to Archaeological Techniques

Strategies of data collection; determination of age of deposits, environmental reconstruction, examination of artifacts.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 226 Archaeology of Africa

GER 3/B PD/A

Prehistory; origins, adaptations, cultural evolution of early hominids; origins of agriculture, early complex societies.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 227 Archaeology of Europe

GER 3/B PD/D

Prehistory; early hunting and gathering adaptations, beginnings of sedentary village life, development of complex societies.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 228 Archaeology of the Near East to 2000 BC

GER 3/B PD/A

Sociocultural development of Near East from early hunter-gatherers to first states and empires.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 230 Prehistory of North American Indians

GER 3/B

Examination of adaptation and change in prehistoric cultural systems, employing archaeological and ethnohistorical sources.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 231 Archaeology of Mesoamerica

GER 3/B

Sociocultural development from early hunter-gatherers to first pre-Hispanic states and empires.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 232 Archaeology of South America and the Caribbean

GER 3/B

Sociocultural development from early hunter-gatherers to first pre-Hispanic states and empires.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

ANTHC 326 Rise of Old and New World Civilizations

GER 3/B

Theoretical and empirical examination of development of urbanism and state, in Old and New Worlds.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 327 Prehistoric Cultural Ecology

GER 3/B

Survey of selected problems in human evolution and adaptation from an ecological perspective.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

ANTHC 346 Analytic Methods in Archaeology

GER 3/B

Theory and methods of analysis of materials recovered from archaeological excavations and surveys.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

5 hrs (3 lec, 2 lab), 4 cr.

ANTHC 426 Seminar in Archaeological Field Methods

Introduction to field methods and techniques in survey and excavation; involves weekend fieldwork on nearby sites. Depending on topic, may meet PD/B or D.

prereq: ANTHC 126 or perm instr.

3 hrs, 3 cr.

Courses Less Frequently Offered:

ANTHC 203 Kinship and Social Organization

ANTHC 306 Folklore and Myth

ANTHC 309 Country and City in Comparative Perspective

ANTHC 316 Quantitative Methods in Anthropology

ANTHC 317 Field Methods in Cultural Anthropology

ANTHC 328 Technology and Material Culture

ANTHP 214 Theory of Evolution

