ANTHROPOLOGY - BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

Anthropology is the study of people, both ancient and modern, in their cultural context. The field involves a global look at human cultures from prehistoric times to the present, integrating findings from the social sciences, natural sciences and humanities. Students of anthropology learn to appreciate the variety of cultures throughout human history and to understand the meaning of human biological and cultural development as well as diversity.

The undergraduate degree in anthropology emphasizes knowledge and awareness of:

- basic methods, concepts, alternative theories and approaches and modes of explanation appropriate to each of the three main subfields of the discipline (archaeology, biological anthropology and cultural anthropology);
- basic archaeological techniques, including stratigraphy, dating and inference of human behavior from archaeological data, as well as human history from its beginning through the emergence of complex societies;
- variation, patterning and creativity in human communities and symbolic systems, including ecological, social structural and cultural factors exemplified in a diverse array of the world’s societies, including those undergoing change as a result of globalization and the impact of contemporary social and political movements; and
- theories of primate and human evolution and the basic data of the hominid fossil record, as well as biological variation in contemporary human populations.

In addition, students completing the degree in anthropology are expected to acquire the ability and skills to:

- identify trends or patterns in anthropological data from different cultures or periods, identify an appropriate context of explanation or interpretation and formulate a testable explanation or reasonable interpretation, including the ability to identify data that constitute credible evidence for an explanation or interpretation; and
- identify and define a significant problem or topic in anthropology and analyze and interpret data in a systematic manner.

International Bachelor of Arts (IBA)

The International Bachelor of Arts (IBA) is a joint degree between the University of Colorado Boulder and the University of Wollongong, Wollongong, Australia. To earn an IBA in Anthropology, in addition to completing all the current requirements for the BA with a major in Anthropology at the home institution, students must complete one full-time semester experiential, customized, international learning experience at the non-home institution.

Requirements

Students must complete the general requirements of the College of Arts and Sciences and the required courses listed below. (A minimum of 30 credit hours in anthropology, 18 of which must be upper division, is required for the degree.)

Required Courses and Semester Credit Hours

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Electives

Electives in anthropology (6 credit hours must be at the upper-division level; students planning to pursue graduate work in anthropology are advised to take ANTH 4000 and ANTH 4530)

Total Credit Hours 30

In addition, students planning to pursue writing a senior honor's thesis or graduate work in Anthropology are advised to take ANTH 4000 and an upper-division Anthropology theory course.

Graduating in Four Years

Consult the Four-Year Guarantee Requirements for more information on eligibility. The concept of "adequate progress" as it is used here only refers to maintaining eligibility for the four-year guarantee; it is not a requirement for the major. To maintain adequate progress in anthropology, students should meet the following requirement:

- By the beginning of the second semester, declare the anthropology major.