**ANTHROPOLOGY MAJOR**

Students complete a 13-course program (12 courses in anthropology and 1 in formal studies) for a major in anthropology. At the 200 level, courses provide background in the four major subfields of anthropology. At the 300 level, students expand both the breadth and depth of their studies, examining the philosophical and historical roots of the discipline. A research class (ANTHRO 322-0 Introduction to Archaeology Research Design & Methods, ANTHRO 361-0 Talk as Social Action, ANTHRO 386-0 Methods in Human Biology Research, or ANTHRO 389-0 Ethnographic Methods and Analysis) provides an opportunity to learn research skills and gain valuable analytical, critical thinking, and writing skills. ANTHRO 370-0 Anthropology in Historical Perspective provides an overview of the history of the field. Six additional 300-level courses include concentration courses from a subfield and from across the department.

Students must also complete the Undergraduate Registration Requirement (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/requirements-policies/undergraduate-registration-requirement/) and the degree requirements of their home school.

NOTE: This Catalog describes Weinberg College BA requirements that pertain to students who matriculated at Northwestern after spring quarter 2023. Refer to the Archives (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/archives/) if you are following BA requirements described in the 2018-2019 through 2022-2023 editions.

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1. For the joint Anthropology/MMSS major, MMSS 300-0 double-counts as a 300-level anthropology course (for triple major limitations see MMSS Adjunct Major (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/mathematical-methods-social-sciences/mms-adjunct-major/)).

2. For the biological anthropology and human biology concentrations, the formal studies course must be fulfilled by STAT 202-0, STAT 210-0, PSYCH 201-0, ECON 281-0, SESP 210-0, or equivalent.

3. For the archaeology, cultural anthropology, and linguistic anthropology concentrations, statistics or another formal studies course can fulfill this requirement; a course designated for Foundation Area II and/or Foundational Discipline Empirical and Deductive Reasoning (FD-EDR).

4. For the joint Anthropology/MMSS major, MATH 385-0 counts as the formal methods related course requirement for anthropology.
Human Biology

See Concentration in Human Biology for requirements.

Linguistic Anthropology

Course | Title
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ANTHRO 360-0 | Language and Culture
ANTHRO 365-0 | Language, Race, & Ethnicity in the U.S.
ANTHRO 378-0 | Law and Culture
ANTHRO 390-0 | Topics in Anthropology
ANTHRO 398-0 | Senior Seminar

Concentration in Human Biology

The human biology concentration is a good option for students interested in pursuing careers in the health sciences or graduate work in the biological sciences. The concentration combines a core foundation in basic science with an integrative perspective on the human organism, drawing on both the biological and the social sciences. Coursework emphasizes the study of human biology and health from a comparative and evolutionary perspective.

In their first and second years students complete the introductory (200-level) anthropology requirements as well as foundational courses (which are also premedical school requirements). Junior- and senior-year coursework includes 300-level courses in biological anthropology/human biology and related courses from other departments.

Course | Title
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ANTHRO 211-0 | Culture & Society
ANTHRO 213-0 | Human Origins
ANTHRO 214-0 | Archaeology: Unearthing History
ANTHRO 215-0 | The Study of Culture through Language
ANTHRO 370-0 | Anthropology in Historical Perspective

5 core courses:

- ANTHRO 211-0 | Culture & Society
- ANTHRO 213-0 | Human Origins
- ANTHRO 214-0 | Archaeology: Unearthing History
- ANTHRO 215-0 | The Study of Culture through Language
- ANTHRO 370-0 | Anthropology in Historical Perspective

1 research course:

- ANTHRO 386-0 | Methods in Human Biology Research

3 concentration courses chosen from:

- ANTHRO 306-0 | Evolution of Life Histories
- ANTHRO 309-0 | Human Osteology
- ANTHRO 312-0 | Human Population Biology
- ANTHRO 313-0 | Evolutionary Medicine
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Related Courses

- BIOL_SCI 201-0 | Molecular Biology

Human Biology

Related Courses

- PSYCH 201-0 | Statistical Methods in Psychology
- PSYCH 211-0 | Introduction to Probability and Statistics
- PSYCH 215-0 | Introduction to Statistics
- PSYCH 225-0 | Applied Statistical Methods
- PSYCH 235-0 | Biostatistics
- PSYCH 245-0 | Multivariate Analysis
- PSYCH 255-0 | Psychological Research Methods
- PSYCH 265-0 | Advanced Research Methods
- PSYCH 275-0 | Data Analysis for Psychological Science
- PSYCH 285-0 | Advanced Data Analysis
- PSYCH 295-0 | Special Topics in Psychological Science
- PSYCH 305-0 | Advanced Topics in Psychological Science
- PSYCH 315-0 | Supervised Research
- PSYCH 325-0 | Special Topics in Psychological Science
- PSYCH 335-0 | Independent Study
- PSYCH 345-0 | Special Topics in Psychological Science
- PSYCH 355-0 | Independent Study
- PSYCH 365-0 | Special Topics in Psychological Science
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- PSYCH 385-0 | Special Topics in Psychological Science
- PSYCH 395-0 | Independent Study
- PSYCH 405-0 | Special Topics in Psychological Science
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- PSYCH 995-0 | Independent Study

Related Courses

- BIOL_SCI 202-0 | Molecular Biology
- BIOL_SCI 203-0 | Cell Biology
- BIOL_SCI 232-0 | Molecular and Cellular Processes Laboratory (0.34 units)
- BIOL_SCI 233-0 | Genetics and Molecular Processes Laboratory (0.34 units)
- BIOL_SCI 234-0 | Investigative Laboratory (0.34 units)
- BIOL_SCI 301-0 | Principles of Biochemistry
- CHEM 110-0 | Quantitative Problem Solving in Chemistry
- & CHEM 131-0 | and Fundamentals of Chemistry I
- & CHEM 141-0 | and Fundamentals of Chemistry Laboratory I
- & CHEM 132-0 | and Fundamentals of Chemistry II
- & CHEM 142-0 | and Fundamentals of Chemistry Laboratory II
- & CHEM 151-0 | General Chemistry I
- & CHEM 161-0 | General Chemistry Laboratory I
- & CHEM 152-0 | General Chemistry II
- & CHEM 162-0 | General Chemistry Laboratory II
- & CHEM 171-0 | General Inorganic Chemistry
- & CHEM 181-0 | Advanced General Inorganic Chemistry
- & CHEM 172-0 | Laboratory
- & CHEM 182-0 | and Advanced General Physical Chemistry
- & CHEM 215-1 | Laboratory
- & CHEM 131-0 | and Organic Chemistry I
- & CHEM 235-1 | and Organic Chemistry Lab I
- & CHEM 215-2 | and Organic Chemistry II
- & CHEM 235-2 | and Organic Chemistry Lab II
- MATH 220-1 | Single-Variable Differential Calculus
- & MATH 220-2 | and Single-Variable Integral Calculus
- & MATH 218-1 | and Single-Variable Calculus with Precalculus
- & MATH 218-2 | and Single-Variable Calculus with Precalculus
- & MATH 218-3 | and Single-Variable Calculus with Precalculus
- PHYSICS 130-1 | College Physics
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- or PHYSICS 140-1 | Fundamentals of Physics
- & PHYSICS 140-2 | and Fundamentals of Physics
- & PHYSICS 140-3 | and Fundamentals of Physics
- & PHYSICS 136-1 | and General Physics Laboratory
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- & PHYSICS 136-3 | and General Physics Laboratory

1 course chosen from:

- STAT 202-0 | Introduction to Statistics and Data Science
- STAT 210-0 | Introduction to Probability and Statistics
- PSYCH 201-0 | Statistical Methods in Psychology
- ECON 281-0 | Introduction to Applied Econometrics
- or ECON 381-1 | Econometrics
- SESP 210-0 | Introduction to Statistics and Research Methodology
- or equivalent statistical methods course approved by the department
Units depend on chemistry and mathematics sequences taken. Most are also premedical school requirements.

Relevant Courses in the Bienen School of Music

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Summer Field Schools

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For additional information, contact the Department of Anthropology.

Honors in Anthropology

Majors with strong academic records and an interest in pursuing original research in anthropology during their senior year are encouraged to submit an application to the honors coordinator by spring of junior year to write a senior honors thesis. The thesis requires completing ANTHRO 399-0 Independent Study in the fall quarter and ANTHRO 398-0 Senior Seminar in the winter quarter of senior year. ANTHRO 398-0 Senior Seminar (but not ANTHRO 399-0 Independent Study) may be counted toward the 300-level requirements for the major.

Students whose theses and grades meet department criteria are recommended to the college for graduation with honors. For additional information review the department website, consult the honors coordinator, and see Honors in the Major (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#academicoptionstext).