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.

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Related Course (1 unit)  
1 formal studies course  

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/mmss-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.

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

**Subfields**

**Archaeology**

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Human Biology

See Concentration in Human Biology for requirements.

Linguistic Anthropology

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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.

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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
ANTHRO 398-0 | Methods in Human Biology Research

3 concentration courses chosen from:

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ANTHRO 309-0 | Human Osteology
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ANTHRO 398-0 | Senior Seminar

3 additional 300-level courses selected from any concentration or research course

Related Courses

BIOL_SCI 201-0 | Molecular Biology
BIOL_SCI 202-0 | Cell Biology
BIOL_SCI 203-0 | Genetics and Evolution
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 General Chemistry 1
CHEM 141-0 | and General Chemistry Laboratory 1
CHEM 132-0 | and General Chemistry 2
CHEM 142-0 | and General Chemistry Laboratory 2
or CHEM 151-0 | Accelerated General Chemistry 1
& CHEM 161-0 | and Accelerated General Chemistry Laboratory 1
& CHEM 152-0 | and Accelerated General Chemistry 2
& CHEM 162-0 | and Accelerated General Chemistry Laboratory 2
or CHEM 171-0 | Advanced General Inorganic Chemistry
& CHEM 181-0 | and Advanced General Inorganic Chemistry
& CHEM 172-0 | Laboratory
& CHEM 182-0 | and Advanced General Physical Chemistry
Students completing the chemistry major organic sequence CHEM 212-1, CHEM 212-2, and CHEM 212-3 with labs may use these courses instead of CHEM 215-1, 215-2 with labs.

MATH 220-1 | Single-Variable Differential Calculus
MATH 220-2 | and Single-Variable Integral Calculus
or MATH 218-1 | Single-Variable Calculus with Precalculus
& MATH 218-2 | and Single-Variable Calculus with Precalculus
&MATH 218-3 | and Single-Variable Calculus with Precalculus
PHYSICS 130-0 | College Physics
& PHYSICS 130-2 | and College Physics
& PHYSICS 130-3 | and College Physics
& PHYSICS 134-0 | and General Physics Laboratory
& PHYSICS 136-2 | and General Physics Laboratory
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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 139-0 | and General Physics Laboratory
& PHYSICS 136-1 | and General Physics Laboratory
& PHYSICS 136-2 | and General Physics Laboratory
& PHYSICS 136-3 | and General Physics Laboratory

1 course chosen from:

STAT 202-0 | Introduction to Statistics
STAT 210-0 | Introductory Statistics for the Social Sciences
PSYCH 201-0 | Statistical Methods in Psychology
ECON 281-0 | Introduction to Applied Econometrics
or ECON 381-0 | Econometrics
SESP 210-0 | Introduction to Statistics and Research Methodology

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

_Archaeology Field School:_ Courses may include the following, some of which are also offered on the Evanston campus.

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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](https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#academicoptionstext)).