

ANTHROPOLOGY (ANTH)

ANTH 1020 Introduction to Archaeology and the Prehistoric World 3 Credits

Introduction to the prehistoric world from origins of human culture to the beginnings of written history as revealed by archaeological research at great sites and ruins around the globe. Archaeological analysis of famous prehistoric sites as case studies to illustrate concepts and techniques used by archaeologists in their efforts to understand the rise, florescence, and demise of vanished societies.

Components: Class

GE: Social Sciences

ANTH 1050 Introduction to Biological Anthropology 3 Credits

A study of evolutionary theory, the place of humans in the primate order, the fossil evidence for human evolution and interpretation of that evidence, the biological and genetic basis of human variation, and possible other topics of human biology.

Components: Class

ANTH 1130 Introduction to Anthropology 3 Credits

Brief survey of the four sub-disciplines of anthropology: archaeology, linguistics, cultural anthropology and physical anthropology. Using an evolutionary framework, basic concept and theories of anthropology will be introduced.

Components: Class

GE: Global Studies, Social Sciences

ANTH 2130 Cultural Anthropology 3 Credits

General introduction to the methods, theories, concepts and subject matter of cultural anthropology. The nature of culture, the social system, cultural change, cultural evolution, and culture as a symbol system will be considered.

Components: Class

GE: Global Studies, Social Sciences

ANTH 2220 Conservation, Wildlife, and Recreation 3 Credits

This course addresses the social and cultural factors that influence land access, human/wildlife interactions, and outdoor recreation. We break down the values, ideas, experiences, and political and economic systems that structure understanding of and interaction with the natural environment. This includes studying, for example, approaches to managing land use and access; effects of race, ethnicity, indigeneity, class, and gender on interactions with nature; and the role of recreation in rural economies and environments. We study wildlife, recreation, and conservation from variety of cultural and geographic contexts through case studies and ethnographies.

Components: Class

GE: Global Studies, Social Sciences

ANTH 2500 Women in Cross-Cultural Perspectives 3 Credits

Study of women in a variety of cultures around the world, both past and present. Includes consideration of the sexual division of labor, marriage systems, child rearing, relationships between men and women, systems of myth and ideology concerning women's roles, and the effects of socio-economic development and rapid social change.

Components: Class

GE: Gender Studies, Social Sciences

Prereqs/Coreqs: P. Not recommended for first-semester students

ANTH 3020 Archaeology of Wisconsin 3 Credits

Survey of Wisconsin archaeology from the earliest occupation of the state through early European contact. Emphasis is on ecological and historical factors influencing development of prehistoric and historic aboriginal culture of Wisconsin.

Components: Class

GE: Social Sciences

Prereqs/Coreqs: P. Previous Anthropology course or consent of instructor

ANTH 3080 Archaeology of North America 3 Credits

Main pre-Columbian cultures north of Mexico. Includes evidence for cultural developments and diversity of cultural groups.

Components: Class

GE: Ethnic Studies, Social Sciences

Prereqs/Coreqs: P. Not recommended for first-semester students

ANTH 3140 Indians of North America 3 Credits

A survey of the cultures of various Indian nations north of Mexico; the impact in the past and the present of Euro-American culture on American Indian nations and their varied responses to it.

Components: Class

GE: Ethnic Studies, Social Sciences

Prereqs/Coreqs: P. Not recommended for first-semester students

ANTH 3430 Religion, Magic and Witchcraft 3 Credits

Religion, magic and witchcraft are uniquely human means of reaching out to the supernatural realm in order to effect changes in the here and now. This course introduces student to descriptions and interpretations of magico-religious beliefs and practices in a variety of cultures from an anthropological perspective, which does not attempt to judge the validity of such beliefs but to understand their origins and functions, among other things. It examines theories about religion and some of the conceptual issues regarding the interpretation of religion and related phenomena which have interested anthropologists over time.

Components: Class

GE: Social Sciences

Prereqs/Coreqs: P. Not recommended for first-semester students

ANTH 3700 Archaeology Field School 1-6 Credits

Practical application of the basic skills used in the excavation of archaeological sites, including surveying techniques, methods of excavation, compilation of field data, and laboratory analysis through participation in an actual archaeological field project. The site(s) excavated and their location vary by year and campus. Usually offered summers. Limited enrollment. Generally, one credit is given for each 40 hours of fieldwork. Additional fees may be required for transportation, food, lodging and equipment.

Components: Field Studies

Prereqs/Coreqs: P. Previous Anthropology course and consent of instructor; ANT 1020 highly recommended