

ANTHROPOLOGY (ANT)

Students of anthropology study the relationship between human biology, the environment, and culture. The core coursework required for a degree in this field, builds upon a student's understanding of the biogeography of the planet, the global climate, human history, and the adaptive nature of human culture. Through a variety of classroom, laboratory, and field experiences, Wisconsin Lutheran College students gather the knowledge they need to evaluate important prehistoric and historic ecological events, and current models of human biology and behavior.

Students with degrees in anthropology have historically worked in areas of global development, nutrition, biostatistics, archaeology, museum studies, and forensics. Those students wishing to pursue a degree of higher education beyond their undergraduate training may choose graduate-level programs in anthropology, globalization, forensic science, bioarchaeology, criminology, and/or culture resource management.

Course of Study

- A. The Anthropology Major consists of a minimum of 31 credits plus collaterals including:
1. Core: ANT 101, 102, 103, 104, 495, 498.
 2. Electives: At least 12 credits from one of three interest areas.
 - a. Biological Anthropology: ANT 210, 311, 312, BIO 225, 275, 355, 372, 455.
 - b. Cultural Anthropology: ANT 220, 321, 322, 323, 324.
 - c. Archaeology: ANT 230, 331, 332, 333.
 3. Students must also take at least 12 credits of collaterals from: ANT 467, x91, BIO 201, 202, 240, 255, 265, 322, 323, 341, 360, COM 309, CHE 161, 162, 210, 221, 310, ESS 182, 300, HIS 101, 102, 302, 320, 371, 382, MAN 101, 102, 201, MAT 120, 221, 222, PSY 101, 120, 285, 300, 315, SOC 101, 220, 250, THE 431
- B. A minor in anthropology consists of a minimum of 16 credits plus collaterals from the following course offerings:
1. Core: ANT 101, 102, 103.
 2. At least 3 credits from ANT 467 or ANT 498
 3. Electives: At least 11 credits in collateral electives from ANT 210, 220, 230, 312, 324, 331, 322, 332, 333, x91, BIO 201, 202, 240, 255, 265, 322, 341, 355, 360, 372, COM 309, CHE 161, 162, ESS 182, 300, HIS 101, 102, 302, 320, 371, 382, MAN 101, 102, 201, PSY 101, 120, 285, 300, 315, SOC 101, 220, 250, THE 431

Course Descriptions

ANT 100 General Anthropology. 3 cr.

This course is a general overview of the four subfields of anthropology: physical, linguistic, cultural, and archeology. Human origins, the culture-language relationship, and past cultures will be considered from a Christian perspective.

ANT 101 Biological Anthropology. 4 cr.

This course is designed to introduce students to the history of thought and the research fundamentals of physical anthropology. Human skeletal and modern biological evidences will be discussed; particular emphasis will be given to the methods and techniques of analysis. 3 hr lecture, 2 hr lab.

ANT 102 Cultural Anthropology. 3 cr.

A course which surveys the development and nature of cultural systems. It examines the social patterns, processes, and variations related to culture. The comparative study of cultures world-wide includes analysis of language, art, family life, religion, economic and political areas.

ANT 103 Archaeology. 3 cr.

This course introduces students to the history of archaeology. It covers general archaeological method and theory and provides overviews of archeological investigations in North America.

ANT 104 Linguistic Anthropology. 3 cr.

This course will introduce students to work of linguistic anthropologists. Weekly class content will include both a historical overview of linguistic field research and studies of select non-Indo-European language traditions. Topics will include the origin of language, nonverbal communication, historical linguistics, and sociolinguistics. Prereq: none.

ANT 210 Forensic Anthropology. 3 cr.

The curriculum of this course is designed to introduce students to forensic, anthropological theory and practice. Students enrolled in the class will study the history of this specialized area of study and its connection to a variety of medicolegal topics. Weekly course content will include: crime scene investigation, pathology and trauma assessment, and personal identification. Prereq: ANT 101 or consent of instructor.

ANT 220 Society and Culture. 3 cr.

This course emphasizes the work of ethnographers. Weekly class content will expose students to cultures from select world areas. Course topics will include: the method and theory of modern cultural anthropologists, select schools of ethnographic thought, the nature and design of related fieldwork, ethnographic interviewing, and fieldwork data analysis. Prereq: ANT 102 or consent of instructor.

ANT 230 Adv. Archaeological Methods and Techniques. 3 cr.

This course is designed for students interested in the collection, analysis, and preservation of archaeological materials. Weekly topics will describe and provide examples of modern laboratory methods, field techniques, and procedures involved in the collection and curation of biological and cultural materials. Prereq: ANT 103.

ANT 311 Primatology. 3 cr.

This course introduces students to a specialty within physical anthropology. A general overview will be made of the biological species comprising the Order *Primates*. Topics will include: biological development and growth, social organization, current research and ecology. Prereq: sophomore standing.

ANT 312 Human Osteology. 3 cr.

This course provides students with an in-depth study of the human skeleton and hominine dentition. Lectures and laboratory exercises will introduce students to applications of skeletal analysis. Topics covered will include: bone and tooth identification, skeletal preservation and reconstruction, and the bioarchaeological study of skeletal samples. Prereq: junior standing.

ANT 322 Food and Culture. 3 cr.

An anthropological examination of how subsistence shapes memory and tradition. Weekly topics will include: food as medicine, food and tourism, and the politics surrounding food security. Students will be challenged to examine the conscious choices people make regarding communal food resources. Prereq: ANT 102 and junior standing, or consent of instructor.

ANT 321 Globalization. 3 cr.

This course examines the definition, trends, and impact of globalization as they relate to culture. Issues such as world debt, global pressures on the environment, the role of multinational corporations, the difference between rich and poor nations (North and South), and the rapid transfer of technologies and information around the world are discussed and debated. Prereq: sophomore standing.

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ANT 323 Peoples and Cultures of Selected World Areas. 3 cr.

A comparative, descriptive, and analytic study of a major cultural area of the world. Areas may be selected from : South & Central America, the Pacific, the Caribbean, Sub-Sahara Africa, Southeast Asia, or the Middle East. A student may repeat the course provided a different area is being covered. Prereq: ANT 201

ANT 331 Death and Archeology. 3 cr.

This course introduces students to mortuary rituals and the methods of mortuary archaeologists. Topics will include: applications for human osteology, forensic analyses, bioarchaeology, and mortuary ritual. Prereq: Sophomore standing.

ANT 332 North American Archaeology. 3 cr.

A comprehensive survey of archaeological discoveries within the continental United States and Canada as early as 1875. The contributions of the Smithsonian Institute, the National Museum, the Bureau of American Ethnology, and modern Cultural Resource Management will be studied in light of the prehistoric, historic, and living cultures of North America. Prereq: junior standing.

ANT 333 Historical Archaeology. 3 cr.

This course examines the development of historical archaeology as a specialized subdiscipline within American Archaeology. The curriculum for the course includes: the unique method and theory of historic archaeologists, the use of oral histories in research, the nature of the documentary record, and the study of historic material culture. Prereq: ANT 103 and junior standing

ANT 495 Senior Thesis and Seminar. 3 cr.

This course is an academic and professional experience within the research area that is of academic and career interest. The final project for this course will be a student thesis and defense. Prereq: declared ANT major and senior standing.

ANT 490 Internship. 1-3 cr.

By arrangement with department.

ANT x91 Special Topics in Anthropology. 1-3 cr.

An intensive study and discussion of selected topics in anthropology. Possible topics include archaeology and death, cultural ecology, historical archaeology, primates, and ethnographic research. May be repeated with change of topic. Prereq: varies with topics.

ANT 498 Independent Research. 1-3 cr.

By arrangement with the department.