

ANT 110/Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

1 course unit

(every semester)

A survey of the major concepts of social-cultural anthropology. Cross-cultural comparison will be a central concern of the course, as will the process of cultural change.

ANT 111/Introduction to Physical Anthropology

1 course unit

(Occasionally)

What makes us human? Is it the use of language, the ability to manipulate material culture or the fact that we are bipedal? This course will focus on evolutionary theory and the theory of natural selection, the behavior and anatomy of non-human primates, and the evolution of modern humans. Students will also learn how anthropology is directly related to other disciplines including sociology, biology, ecology and geology.

ANT 205/Human Evolution

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Prerequisite: SOC 101 or ANT 110

The study of human evolutionary past, using various methods, including archaeology and skeletal interpretation. Evolutionary principles and process of change will be used as a theoretical background to understand human variation and evolution. It is recommended, but not required, that students complete ANT 111 prior to enrolling in this course.

ANT 240/Introduction to Epidemiology

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Epidemiology covers the basic principles of epidemiology e.g., study design, measures of association, biases and confounding variables, disease detection, and risk analysis. It emphasizes critical thinking, the limitations of current conceptual and methodological approaches in epidemiology, ethical and social justice considerations and socio-cultural aspects of public health, using examples from epidemiological studies carried out in the United States and internationally.

ANT 245/Modern Arabic Society and the Media

1 course unit

(occasionally)

(same as ARA 245 and COM 245)

This course will be taught in English. It will explore social issues that have been central to the transformation of modern Arab societies in the modern period. Readings and recordings will address major topics such as democracy and development, nationalism, Islam, feminism and the status of women, and socialism.

ANT 311/Women and Migration

1 course unit

(occasionally)

(same as WGS 381)

An anthropological examination of the role of women in migration, both past and present. The course takes a comparative approach, investigating the lives of women from many different societies, cultures and class backgrounds.

ANT 313/Vampires, Werewolves, and Witches

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Not a how-to course, but a survey of the careers of the more notable monsters in Western societies. This course, which focuses on the social construction of the "Other," includes the history and development of monsters, the circumstances in which they arise, and the audience(s) they continue to attract and intrigue.

ANT 315/ Ethnicity, Race, and Nation

1 course unit

(occasionally)

This course explores the reasons why people categorize themselves and others into ethnic and racial groups and investigates the effects of these categorizations. The relationship between ethnicity and the creation and perpetuation of nation-states, the roles of indigenous peoples within nation-states, and the implications of migration upon processes of ethnicity and constructions of race are all important themes.

ANT 335/Global Urbanization

1 course unit

(occasionally)

This course will focus on how cities are changing along with the development and global penetration of industrial capitalism. Special emphasis will be placed on the social problems created by mass urbanization, the movement of peoples within and between nation-states, and on the dynamic interchange between local cultures and the forces of globalization.

ANT 340/Social Change in Latin America

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Latin America has been the subject for much debate about development in social theory. This course examines the theoretical debates about development and provides empirical case studies to highlight how social change occurs in Latin America. These themes include: economic globalization, gender, migration, resistance to social change, urbanization, environmental degradation, corruption, social movements, structural adjustment, and race relations.

ANT 341/Dynamics of Cultural Ecology

1 course unit

(occasionally)

This course reviews classic perspectives in cultural ecology, but focuses on the more recent scholarship, especially scholarship that addresses human ecology, political ecology and urban ethnography to give the student perspective on how the environment is experienced in multiple cultural contexts, and how the environment affects different cultures in various ways.

ANT 370/Topics in Anthropology

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Selected topics which may vary from year to year. Topic to be announced. May be repeated for credit.

ANT 371/Culture, Health and Illness

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Provides a critical perspective in understanding how values, beliefs, conflict, economic and social condition influence how illness is defined, how healthcare is viewed and delivered. Social epidemiology, the sick role, bio-ethics, unequal access to health care, women's health issues and cross-cultural approaches to medicine are discussed.

ANT 372/Global Public Health

1 course unit

(occasionally)

This course introduces students to the field and disciplines of public health from a cross cultural perspective, looking at both local and global public health issues. Course material and assignments focus on public health initiatives in Western and non-western societies with particular attention to core concepts of public health, responses to bio terrorism and war, prevention of infectious diseases, alternative medical and healing practices, health of school age children and public health personnel. The course emphasizes the impact of culture, social structure, economics and politics on the health and illness and public health policies in both the developing and developed world. War, genocide, terrorism, guerrilla insurgencies, the

global economy and international travel are viewed as public health issues. Obesity, new diseases (such as SARS), the idea of being a stakeholder also included.

ANT 390/Research Course in Anthropology

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Prerequisites: SOC 301, 302 or permission of instructor and department

A small group of students work closely with a faculty member on his/her ongoing research. Students will learn to use the data collection and analysis methods used for the project and be offered opportunities to present the findings on campus or at a regional professional meeting.

ANT 391/Independent Study in Anthropology

variable course units

(every semester)

Prerequisite: Departmental Permission

For advanced students. In-depth study of specific topic in anthropology. Formal proposal must be submitted to department and approved before the student can register for independent study.

ANT 393/Independent Research in Anthropology

variable course units

(every semester)

Prerequisite: Departmental Permission

For advanced students undertaking an independent research project in anthropology with the guidance of department faculty. Formal proposal must be submitted to the sponsoring faculty for department approval. The project should culminate in a paper to be presented on campus or a regional conference.

ANT 399/Internship in Anthropology

variable course units

(every semester)

Prerequisite: Departmental Permission

Applied experience in major field of study. Consult department for details.

ANT 401/Tutorial: Urban Ethnography

1 course unit

(occasionally)

Prerequisites: SOC 301, 302 or by permission of instructor

Survey of anthropology methods, including traditional and reflexive ethnography, life-history interviewing, and structuralist and post-structuralist analysis of textual and visual materials. Team or individual research project required.

ANT 495/Senior Thesis in Anthropology

1course unit

(every semester)

Prerequisite: Departmental Permission

An opportunity for exceptional students to pursue individual or collaborative research projects, with the guidance of the department faculty. Students must complete two semesters of ANT 495 to satisfy capstone requirement.