

ANTHROPOLOGY, BALAS

for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts & Sciences Major in Anthropology

Anthropology is the study of humans across time and space, integrating biological and cultural information from prehistoric times to the present. The field is global in perspective, and includes findings from the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, and arts. It is a broad discipline linked by a deep interest in exploring the fundamental notion of what it means to be human. Anthropology consists of four areas or subfields: Sociocultural Anthropology, the study of contemporary societies; Linguistic Anthropology, the study of talk, text, media, and other forms of communication; Archaeology, the study of the material remains of past societies; and Biological Anthropology, the study of human origins, primatology, biological diversity, genetics, genealogy, and forensic sciences. At the University of Illinois, we specialize in and integrate all four of these areas.

Students pursuing this major must select one of the following in consultation with an advisor:

- Major in Anthropology (p. 1)
- Archaeology Concentration (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/anthropology-balas/archaeology/>)
- Biological Anthropology Concentration (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/anthropology-balas/human-evolutionary-biology/>)
- Human Evolutionary Biology Concentration (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/anthropology-balas/human-evolutionary-biology/>)
- Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology Concentration (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/anthropology-balas/sociocultural-linguistic-anthropology/>)

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A Major Plan of Study Form must be completed and submitted to the LAS Student Affairs Office before the end of the fifth semester (60- 75 hours). Please see your adviser.

Departmental distinction: The department may award distinction, high distinction, or highest distinction to any Anthropology major whose overall and major grade point averages are 3.25 or higher; and who successfully completes 33 hours of anthropology courses, including 4-6 hours of ANTH 494 and ANTH 495 resulting in an Honors Thesis. The level of distinction is based on evaluation of the honors thesis. See the departmental academic advisor for details. All students must discuss their selection of anthropology courses and supporting course work with a departmental adviser.

Graduation Requirements

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

Minimum hours required major and supporting course work: 45-48. Twelve hours of 300- and 400-level Anthropology courses must be taken on this campus.

University Requirements

Minimum of 40 hours of upper-division coursework, generally at the 300- or 400-level. These hours can be drawn from all elements of the degree.

Students should consult their academic advisor for additional guidance in fulfilling this requirement.

The university and residency requirements can be found in the Student Code (<https://studentcode.illinois.edu/article3/part8/3-801/>) (§ 3-801) and in the Academic Catalog (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/general-information/degree-general-education-requirements/>).

General Education Requirements

Follows the campus General Education (Gen Ed) requirements (<https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/>). Some Gen Ed requirements may be met by courses required and/or electives in the program.

Code	Title	Hours
	Composition I	4-6
	Advanced Composition	3
	Humanities & the Arts (6 hours)	6
	Natural Sciences & Technology (6 hours)	6
	Social & Behavioral Sciences (6 hours)	6
	Cultural Studies: Non-Western Cultures (1 course)	3
	Cultural Studies: US Minority Cultures (1 course)	3
	Cultural Studies: Western/Comparative Cultures (1 course)	3
	Quantitative Reasoning (2 courses, at least one course must be Quantitative Reasoning I)	6-10
	Language Requirement (Completion of the fourth semester or equivalent of a language other than English is required)	0-20

Code	Title	Hours
Orientation and Professional Development		
LAS 101	Design Your First Year Experience	1
OR		
LAS 100 & LAS 101	Success in LAS for International Students and Design Your First Year Experience	3
OR		
LAS 102	Transfer Advantage	1
Total Hours		1 or 3

Code	Title	Hours
Students can choose one of the following optional concentrations:		
	Archaeology (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/anthropology-balas/archaeology/)	
	Biological Anthropology (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/anthropology-balas/biological-anthropology/)	
	Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/anthropology-balas/sociocultural-linguistic-anthropology/)	

Students who don't choose an optional concentration are required to take the coursework below:

Code	Title	Hours
Major Core Requirements and Electives		
When a course is listed under two or more categories, the student may decide which of the requirements the course should fulfill; however, it may not be used to fulfill more than one of those requirements.		
Anthropology Core Courses		9
Choose 3 of the following core courses. May select no more than one 100-level course from the list below.		
ANTH 220 or ANTH 105	Introduction to Archaeology World Archaeology	
ANTH 230 or ANTH 103	Sociocultural Anthropology Anthro in a Changing World	
ANTH 240 or ANTH 102	Biological Anthropology Human Origins and Culture	
ANTH 270 or ANTH/LING 104	Language in Culture Talking Culture	
Anthropology (ANTH) courses (6 credit hours at the 200-level and 15 credit hours at the 300-400 level)		21
Additional 300-/400- upper division courses within Anthropology or closely related departments that complement the student's area of study (determined in consultation with the advisor).		9
Research and Service-Learning Coursework		3
Choose one course from the following areas in consultation with the departmental advisor.		
Archaeology		
ANTH 450	Zooarchaeology	
ANTH 452	Stone Tool Technology Analysis	
ANTH 454	Archaeological Field School	
ANTH 455	Lab Analysis in Archaeology	
ANTH 456	Contemporary Archaeology	
ANTH 477	Pottery Analysis	
Biological Anthropology		
ANTH 346	Forensic Anthropology	
ANTH 347	Human Osteology	
ANTH 407	Evolutionary Immunology	
ANTH/ANSC 441	Human Genetics	
ANTH 444	Methods in Bioanthropology	
ANTH 445	Research in Bioanthropology	
ANTH 447	Advanced Skeletal Biology	
Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology		
ANTH 411	Research Methods in Socio-Cultural Anthropology	
ANTH 471	Ethnography through Language	
Museum Anthropology		
ANTH/ARTH 462/ LA 472 or MUSE 390	Museum Theory and Practice Museum Internship	
Senior Capstone Project		3-6
Choose one option below (Honors Thesis, Senior Capstone Seminar, Internship, Study Abroad) in consultation with and approval of the departmental advisor.		

Honors Thesis - 6 hours. Two consecutive semesters of research resulting in a written thesis

ANTH 494	Honors Senior Thesis I
ANTH 495	Honors Senior Thesis II
Senior Capstone Seminar (Independent Research) - 3 hours	
ANTH 498	Senior Capstone Seminar
Internship - 3 hours. A portfolio and report associated with an approved departmental internship.	
ANTH 390	Individual Study
Study Abroad - 3 hours. A portfolio and report associated with an approved Study Abroad experience.	
ANTH 390	Individual Study

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Sample Sequence

This sample sequence is intended to be used only as a guide for degree completion. All students should work individually with their academic advisors to decide the actual course selection and sequence that works best for them based on their academic preparation and goals. Enrichment programming such as study abroad, minors, internships, and so on may impact the structure of this four-year plan. Course availability is not guaranteed during the semester indicated in the sample sequence.

Students must fulfill their Language Other Than English requirement by successfully completing a fourth level of a language other than English. See the corresponding section on the Degree and General Education Requirements page (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/general-information/degree-general-education-requirements/>).

First Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
LAS 101		1 Anthropology Core course	3
General Education course	3	General Education course	3
Free elective course	3	General Education course	3
Language Other than English (3rd level)	4	Language Other than English (4th level)	4
Composition I or General Education course	4	General Education course or Composition I	3
15		16	

Second Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
Anthropology Core course	3	Anthropology Core course	3
ANTH 200-level course	4	ANTH 200-level course	3
General Education course	3	General Education course	3
General Education course	3	General Education course	3

Free elective course	3 Free elective course	3
	16	15
Third Year		
First Semester	Hours Second Semester	Hours
ANTH 300-400 level course	3 ANTH 300-400 level course	3
ANTH 300-400 level course	3 ANTH 300-400 level course	3
General Education course	3 ANTH 300-400 level course	3
General Education course	3 General Education course	3
Free elective course	3 Free elective course	2
	15	14
Fourth Year		
First Semester	Hours Second Semester	Hours
Additional 300-/400-level upper division coursework in Anthropology	3 Additional 300-/400-level upper division coursework in Anthropology	3
Senior Capstone Project	3 Additional 300-/400-level upper division coursework in Anthropology	3
Research and Service-Learning coursework	3 Free elective course	3
General Education course	3 Free elective course	3
Free elective course	3 Free elective course	2
	15	14
Total Hours 120		

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Students who graduate with a BALAS degree in Anthropology will have:

- A broad knowledge of cultural, social, linguistic and biological facets of the human condition and the methods anthropologists use to study them.
- The ability to conduct independent research through data collection, critical analysis, synthesis, and written presentation of findings.
- An understanding of the ethical and social dimensions of anthropological research and their impacts on society.

Students who graduate with a concentration in Archaeology will be able to:

- Learn theories and methods for understanding cultural and societal change through time and the role of heritage in the present.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the ethical issues and legal responsibilities concerning cultural resource management.

Students who graduate with a concentration in Socio-cultural and Linguistic Anthropology will:

- Learn theories and methods for understanding cultural and linguistic variation in human societies, and how power and politics contribute to understandings of self and society.
- Demonstrate ways of thinking about the world that demonstrate the diversity and the interconnectedness of local, regional, and global processes.

Students who graduate with a concentration in Biological Anthropology will:

- Learn theories and methods for understanding biological variation and how this information is applied to forensic science and health sciences.

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Department of Anthropology (<https://anthro.illinois.edu/>)

Anthropology faculty (<https://anthro.illinois.edu/directory/faculty/>)
 Anthropology advising (<https://anthro.illinois.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/>)

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (<https://las.illinois.edu/>)

Overview of College Admissions & Requirements: Liberal Arts & Sciences (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/las/>)