

ANTHROPOLOGY MAJOR (B.A.) AT MSU DENVER

REQUIREMENTS FOR ANTHROPOLOGY MAJOR:

The anthropology major requires a total of **36 credit hours** (12 hours of introductory courses, 9 hours of practical courses including one senior experience course, and 15 additional hours of elective courses). At least 12 upper-division hours in anthropology must be completed in residence at MSU Denver. Anthropology majors must receive a grade of C- or better in every class that counts toward the major. Students should note that academic programs differ in the minimum grade required. Anthropology majors must also complete a minor to be awarded the Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology degree. All majors are required to see an anthropology advisor within two semesters of declaring anthropology as a major.

REQUIRED ANTHROPOLOGY CORE COURSES:

To gain a broad understanding of anthropology and the holistic nature of the field, majors are required to take introductory courses in all four traditional subfields: biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, linguistic anthropology, and archaeology. These courses are also prerequisites for most upper-division anthropology courses, so students should plan to take these courses early in their academic careers.

Take all of the following courses:

- ANT 1010 – Introduction to Biological Anthropology
- ANT 1310 – Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
- ANT 2500 – Anthropology of Language
- ANT 2640 – Archaeology

Introductory Courses Subtotal: 12 credit hours

ANTHROPOLOGY PRACTICAL COURSES:

To gain an understanding of the practical aspects of anthropology, majors are required to take three lab-based or field-based practical courses in anthropology, including a designated anthropology senior experience course.

Take at least three courses from the following list (at least one must be a senior experience):

- ANT 2710 – Archaeological Field Research
- ANT 3000 – Quantitative Methods in Anthropology
- ANT 3251 – Ethnographic Field Methods
- ANT 3330 – Japan: Culture, Communication and Identity (Study Abroad)
- ANT 3510 – Ethnography of Communication: Qualitative Methods in Linguistic Anthropology
- ANT 3680 – Practical Archaeology
- ANT 3790 – Human Osteology in Anthropological Perspective
- ANT 3800 – Forensic Anthropology
- ANT 3820 – Forensic Archaeology
- ANT 3860 – Paleopathology
- ANT 4710 – Advanced Archaeology Field Research (Senior Experience)
- ANT 4100 – Biological Anthropology Research Design (Senior Experience)
- ANT 4251 – Advanced Ethnographic Field Experience (Senior Experience)
- ANT 4420 – Applied Anthropology (Senior Experience)

In addition to the courses listed above, new classes may be developed as part of the permanent catalog offerings, and other courses that are appropriate for the practical requirement may be offered under the variable topics, omnibus, or internship headings. Please see an advisor for more information.

Practical Courses Subtotal: 9 credit hours

ANTHROPOLOGY ELECTIVE COURSES:

In addition to the introductory and practical course requirements, majors are required to take five elective courses in anthropology. If more than three practical courses are taken, these courses will count as electives.

Take at least five courses from the following list:

ANT 1650 – Ancient Civilizations
 ANT 2330 – Cross Cultural Communication (Multicultural)
 ANT 2350 – African Peoples and Cultures
 ANT 2360 – Living Culture and Language of the Mexican and Chicano
 ANT 2400 – Women’s Folklore
 ANT 3100 – Human Evolution
 ANT 3110 – Race and Human Variation
 ANT 3122 – The Neanderthal Enigma
 ANT 3170 – Primate Adaptation and Evolution
 ANT 3310 – Ethnography of North American Indians (Multicultural)
 ANT 3320 – Anthropology of Japan
 ANT 3340 – Native Americans in Historical Perspective (Multicultural)
 ANT 3350 – Vanishing Cultures and Peoples
 ANT 3361 – Gender and Disaster
 ANT 3370 – South American Peoples and Cultures
 ANT 3375 – Food Cultures
 ANT 3379 – Middle Eastern Cultures
 ANT 3380 – Exploring Folklore
 ANT 3386 – Anthropology of Religion
 ANT 3391 – History of Anthropological Theory
 ANT 3395 – Transnational Genders and Sexualities
 ANT 3480 – Cultural Diversity in Health and Illness (Multicultural)
 ANT 3490 – Globalization and Culture
 ANT 3540 – Women in the Developing World
 ANT 3600 – World Prehistory
 ANT 3610 – Archaeology of North America
 ANT 3620 – South American Archaeology
 ANT 3630 – Archaeology of Ancient Egypt
 ANT 3650 – 100,000 Years of War
 ANT 3660 – Ancient American Civilizations
 ANT 3840 – Introduction to Bioarchaeology

In addition to the above courses, anthropology courses under the omnibus, variable topics, recent issues, and internship headings count as electives for the major. These courses typically have a letter in the course number.

ANT 190-/290-/390-	Omnibus Courses (specialty courses in various areas of anthropology)
ANT 330-	Exploring World Cultures: Variable Topics
ANT 440-	Recent Issues in Anthropology: Variable Topics
ANT 398-/498-	Internship, Co-op Education, and Independent Study Courses

Elective Courses Subtotal: 15 credit hours**ANTHROPOLOGY MAJOR TOTAL: 36 CREDIT HOURS**

Students must complete a minimum of 120 semester hours to obtain a degree at MSU Denver; 40 of these must be upper-division (3000- or 4000-level). General Studies requirements include: Written Composition (6 hours): ENG 1010 (3 hours) or both ENG 1008 and ENG 1009 (6 hours)* and ENG 1020 (3 hours)**; Quantitative Literacy* (3 hours, though many courses that fulfill this are 4); Oral Communication (3 hours)*; Arts and Humanities (6); Historical (3); Social and Behavioral Sciences I (3 hours); Social and Behavioral Sciences II (3 hours); Natural and Physical Sciences (6 hours); Global Diversity (0-3 hours: a course that fulfills another General Studies category that also fulfills Global Diversity can be used to meet both requirements); a Multicultural requirement (3 hours); and a Senior Experience requirement.

*These courses must be completed by the time you have completed 30 hours at MSU Denver.

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