



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY



ABOUT US Our Department examines the social behavior and the biological evolution that makes us human. Sociology is the study of social life, social change and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. Sociologists investigate the structure of groups, organizations and societies and how people interact within these contexts. Anthropology studies human biological and cultural diversity through time and space. It encompasses all of humanity as well as our closest primate relatives, from the earliest prehistoric ancestors to the varied societies inhabiting the world today.



STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES Sociology and Anthropology students become immersed in examining the human experience through experiences like studying abroad in national and international destinations; participating in archeological digs in some of Denver's oldest neighborhoods; conducting research and/gaining lab experience in state-of-the-art facilities like the MSU Denver Ethnography Lab and the Human Identification Lab.



WHAT MAKES US SPECIAL Our Sociology Faculty specialize in areas from the Environment to Middle Eastern Culture, to Body Modification, Yoga and Symbolic Interactionism; our Anthropology Faculty provide expertise in areas like Skeletal Growth and Development to Neandertals, Nasofacial Anatomy to Indigenous American, Mayan and Arapaho Languages. Sociology students can get involved in our chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociology Honor Society; while Anthropology students become ALPACA (Archaeology, Linguistic, Physical, and Cultural Anthropology) members.

MAJOR/MINOR

We offer majors and minors in Sociology and Anthropology. Additionally, we offer a minor in Asian Studies. Our programs provide students with deep and enriching learning experiences to deepen their analytical and problem-solving skills.



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ANTHROPOLOGY | Bachelor of Arts

Experiential Major Map



COLLEGE OF LETTERS,
ARTS AND SCIENCES

First Year Middle Years Last Year

Cultivate Learning & Academic Excellence

- Attend Orientation and register for classes
- Meet with your academic advisor to map out your course journey
- Complete scholarship financial aid application

- Declare your major
- Consider adding a minor or certificate in another field
- Check your Degree Progress Report and meet with your advisor

- Work with an advisor to ensure you have no outstanding course requirements
- Complete your senior capstone
- Apply to graduate

Engage Globally and Locally

- Research potential study abroad options
- Speak with your professor about opportunities within your department
- Join a student organization and start getting connected on campus

- Speak with a professor about research opportunities in your department
- Attend speaker and special events hosted by the department
- Seek out other hands-on learning experiences

- Integrate electives with a global or local focus
- Participate in multicultural events around campus
- Take advantage of spaces to practice your leadership skills

Prepare for Postgraduation Success

- Check out on-campus and career aligned jobs
- Begin to develop and explore a career pathway
- Build your early experience resume

- Connect with the C2 Hub on professional mentoring and networking opportunities
- Attend a career fair
- Attend C2 Hub career workshops and events

- Attend alumni and campus-wide networking events
- If considering graduate school discuss options with your faculty advisor

Academic Success Checklist

- Discover library resources
- Book an appointment with your academic advisor
- Visit the writing and tutoring center
- Complete FASFA and academic scholarship applications

Median pay for an anthropologist in 2022 was \$93,599 with an expected 5.2% projected growth in employment.

Career Development Checklist

- Update your resume early & often
- Drop into the C2 Hub's Career Lab
- Secure an internship or career aligned part time job to develop essential skills for graduation

Career Information

What skills do employers want?

- Clear and effective communication
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Leadership abilities
- Ability to work in a team setting

This major gives me the skills to:

- Develop and conduct quantitative and qualitative research design and analysis
- Research and synthesize large amounts of material and identify relevant information and trends
- Connect current events to historical and cross cultural trends and narratives

What careers can I pursue?

- Museum Curator
- Cultural Resource Management
- Forensics
- Researcher
- Lawyer
- Public Health

