

# ANTHROPOLOGY (ANTH)

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## ANTH 220 Cultural Anthropology

Examines traditional and industrialized cultures, focusing on ethnographic methodology and cross-cultural analysis. Emphasizes conceptualization and adaptation through social, economic, political, and religious systems. Not challengeable. Formerly ANTH 320. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 221 Peoples and Culture of Mexico

This course provides an overview of the cultural history of Mexico, including prehistory from the earliest evidence of human habitation through early indigenous cultures and civilizations, European conquest and colonization, modern national and indigenous societies, and the impact of globalization on Mexico and Mexicans. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 231 Food and Culture

The cultural meaning of food from the local, national and global levels. Covers topics such as identity, restrictions and standards, systems of food distribution and consumption, land use, commodification of food and health, the future of food. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 240 Language and Culture

Explores the relationship between language and culture in cross-cultural context, including comparative and historical linguistics, ethnolinguistics, and sociolinguistics. Formerly ANTH 340. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 250 Issues in Anthropology

Explores human biological and cultural diversity through a variety of anthropological perspectives and issues. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 252 Forensic Anthropology

Ethical assessment of medicolegal information from the human skeleton. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 260 Archaeology

Studies archaeological methods and theoretical approaches to understanding human societies through analysis of material remains. Includes ethnoarchaeology, experimental archaeology, and an overview of archaeological evidence for cultural evolution. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 262 Forensic Investigations

Covers forensic investigative techniques, analysis of evidence, preservation of a crime scene, physical and trace evidence, and interpretations and reconstructions of a crime scene. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 270 Introduction to Biological Anthropology

Presents the concepts, methods of inquiry, and theory of biological evolution and their application to human and non-human primate species. More specifically, molecular, Mendelian and population genetics, mechanisms of evolution, primatology, paleoanthropology, biocultural adaptations, and human variation are focused upon. The scientific method is the foundation to this course. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

## ANTH 270L Introduction to Biological Anthropology Lab

**Prerequisite:** Completion of or concurrent enrollment in one of the following: ANTH 252, ANTH 270, ANTH 354, ANTH 355, BIOL 343, KINE 355

. Designed to familiarize the student with the materials and techniques of biological anthropology as an application of lecture. Includes human and other primate osteology, anthropometric techniques, and allied methods in the gathering and analysis of biological anthropological data. Through working with the departmental collection of fossil and contemporary organism casts and a wide variety of charts and models, the student also becomes familiar with the stages of human and primate evolution. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 2

## ANTH 299 Independent Study

An independent study course is a course initiated and written by a student that deals with material not covered in any approved catalog course. The student works independently under the guidance of an instructor who must approve the student's comprehensive written plan and time line before the student can begin. An independent study form must be signed by the department chairperson prior to commencement of the study. Independent studies are available only to matriculated students in good standing at ULV. Traditional undergraduates may register for independent studies only during the normal registration period; CAPA and graduate students may register for them through the end of the "special course" registration period; RCA students, until the last day to withdraw from a course. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit

**Semester Hours:** 1-4

## ANTH 305 Quantitative Analysis

**Prerequisite:** Completion of MATH 102 or Quantitative Reasoning or Maple Math Test A with a minimum score of 16, or Maple Math Test B with a minimum score of 11 or Guided/Directed Math Placement with a minimum score of 20

Introduces basic concepts and applications of descriptive and inferential statistics. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 321 Kinship and Social Organization**

Explores social relationships and institutions as they shape traditional and modern societies, includes kinship, special interest groups and social stratification. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 322 Anthropology of Religion**

This course will examine past and current anthropological ideas about faith systems throughout the world. In particular, this course will take a cross-cultural perspective on: ways of knowing and experiencing the world; the nature of reality and the meaning of life; the forces in the universe; the place of humans in the cosmos, and ideational systems, organizations, and behaviors associated with these assumptions. Letter grade only. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 325 Anthropology of Terrorism**

This course is an exploration of how anthropologists contribute to our understanding of terrorism. The course uses the four sub-disciplines of anthropology: cultural, physical, archaeological and linguistic anthropology, to understand the concepts, values, beliefs, and practices of current and historical terrorism. Throughout the course, students will evaluate influential variables related to acts of terrorism utilizing applied and theoretical anthropological criteria. Letter grade only. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 328 Ethnographies**

The Study of culture through written ethnographies and ethnographics film. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 331 Culture and the Individual**

Examines cross-cultural psychological issues in a sociocultural context. Includes perception, cognition, intellectual, and social development, sex differences, mental illness, and testing of psychological theories. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 333 Women Across Cultures**

Cross cultural exploration of women's experiences in traditional and industrialized societies worldwide. Focuses on cultural expectations for gender and their impact on women's lives. May be taken for letter grade only. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 334 Women's Experience in the US**

An interdisciplinary survey course of women's experience in the United States, taught from a feminist perspective. Explores the cultural and social diversity found among women including gender, ethnicity, race, social class, age, physical disability, and women's movements. Also SOC 334. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 335 Black Experience in the United States**

Examines the African-American experience in US society, including heritage, history, culture, and political movements. Also SOC 335. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 336 Latino Experience**

Examines the Latino experience in US society, including heritage, history, culture, and political movements of a variety of Latino groups. Also SOC 336. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 337 Asian-American Experience**

Examines the Asian-American experience in US society, including heritage, history, culture, and political movements of a variety of Asian-American groups. Also SOC 337. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 338 Native American Experience**

Examines the Native American experience in US society, including history, culture, and political movements. Also SOC 338. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 351 Primate Morphology, Behavior and Ecology**

The study of primates, including evolution, taxonomy, anatomy and physiology, growth and development, behavior ecology, and conservation. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 354 Human Osteology**

**Prerequisite:** Completion of ANTH 270L or BIOL 101 or BIOL 201 or BIOL 343 or KINE 355  
. In-depth study of human osteology. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 355 Techniques in Skeletal Biology**

**Prerequisite:** Completion of ANTH 354 or BIOL 343 or KINE 355. Advanced methodology in human osteological identification and forensic anthropology  
Research intensive course. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 356 Human Origins**

Modern evolutionary theory and genetic approaches are applied, along with investigations of phylogeny, morphology, and paleoecology of human ancestors. The course uses the fossil record to investigate the origins of humans, while also exploring issues of sustainability through time. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit  
**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 357 Research in Biological Anthropology**

**Prerequisite:** Completion of ANTH 252 or ANTH 270 or ANTH 270L or ANTH 354 or ANTH 355

This course focuses on the interactions between differing approaches for assessing modern and ancient human/hominin/primate skeletons. Although the same basic methodology exists for each context, the theoretical foundations are often drastically different. Thus, the course will examine each element of the biological profile (age, sex, ancestry, stature, other) and learn the differing approaches of forensic anthropologists and bioarchaeologists to the material (which also informs paleoanthropological and primatological methodology). Over the course of the semester, students will conduct biological anthropology analyses focusing on genetic and/or skeletal material, which will culminate in a final project that utilizes statistics to analyze evolution and/or population structure. Fieldwork is required. Research intensive course. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 360 Archaeology**

Studies archaeological methods and theoretical approaches to understanding human societies through analysis of material remains. Includes ethnoarchaeology, experimental archaeology, and an overview of archaeological evidence for cultural evolution. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 360L Archaeology Lab**

Practical application of archaeological methods in both field and laboratory settings. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 363 Archeology and the Bible**

Surveys archeological discoveries relating to the Bible. Focuses on Israelite settlement of Palestine, the Romanization of Palestine, and Greco-Roman cities visited by Paul. Also REL 311.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 364 Forensic Archaeology**

Integrates the principles and techniques of archaeology and anthropology with the search for, recovery, and analysis and interpretation of human remains and other material evidence associated with remains. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 367 Archaeology of Mesoamerica**

This course introduces students to the archaeological and ethnohistoric study of ancient Mesoamerican peoples (including Olmecs, Teotihuacanos, Toltecs, Zapotecs, Tlaxcallans, Aztecs, and the Maya, among others) with a special focus on understanding why this region developed some of the most complex human societies in the Americas. Beginning with the peopling of the Americas and extending through the colonial period, this course will explore how and why different cultural groups developed complex trade, art, religion, calendrics, medicine, and astronomical knowledge over the course of three millennia. Course content will explore the establishment and decline of Mesoamerican city-states, cultural practices, and belief systems. Cannot be taken for CRD/NCR. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 390 Research Methods**

Methodology and research design in the behavioral sciences, including qualitative and quantitative methods. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 393 Anthropological Writing**

Examines how to write like an anthropologist, including formats and styles in cultural, physical, linguistic, and archaeological anthropology. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 394 Ethnographic Field Methods**

An introduction and practical application of ethnographic field methods in the study of cultures. May be repeated for credit, but will count only once for major elective. Not challengeable.

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 399 Independent Study**

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**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit

**Semester Hours:** 1-4

**ANTH 400 Anthropological Theory**

Covers major theoretical models, including neo-evolutionism, functionalism, psychological anthropology, cultural materialism, cultural ecology, ethnoscience, cognitive, and evolutionary psychology. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 409 Selected Topics in Anthropology**

Course may be taken multiple times. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 1-4

**ANTH 420 Environmental Anthropology**

This course provides an overview of human relationships and interactions with the environment from diverse anthropological perspectives. Letter grade only. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Letter

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 421 Environmental Justice**

The goal of this course is to enable students to identify and make a preliminary assessment of the social and economic justice implications of selected environmental issues. In order to do so, they must understand and integrate three bodies of knowledge: the causes and effects of the selected environmental issues, the influence of social identities (e.g., race, ethnicity, gender, and class) on unequal relationships to those issues, and the "Environmental Justice" perspective and its approaches to analyzing and addressing such inequities. The environmental issues that will be a major focus of the course are anthropogenic climate change (i.e., "climate change" or "global warming" – the terms are used interchangeably here) and related forms of pollution. The emphasis will be on conditions in the United States, but placed in a global context. Letter grade only. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Letter, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 453 Human Adaptation and Variation**

Detailed study of human adaptation and variation that focuses on the interaction between biology and culture in response to environmental stressors. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Letter, Credit/No Credit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 460 Research in Material Culture**

Authentic research and materials analyses on museum specimens and artifacts to produce a citable extended annotation for the museum catalog. Letter grade only. Not challengeable.

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 470 Medical Anthropology**

An introduction to the field of medical anthropology including cross-cultural perspectives on health, disease, illness, health practitioners and healing practices within and between cultures, as well as how ethnocentrism and cultural relativism affect health issues in today's global world. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 497 Internship**

Applies anthropological methods, theories, and principles under supervision of working professionals. Requires junior standing.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 1-4

**ANTH 499 Senior Thesis**

Culminating activity required by all majors in all departments. Papers/theses/projects researched, prepared, and written under the guidance of a faculty member. Comprehensive exams or recitals required in some departments. Academically, students must be in Good Standing to enroll. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 499A Senior Thesis A**

Culminating activity required by all majors in all departments. Papers/theses/projects researched, prepared, and written under the guidance of a faculty member. Comprehensive exams or recitals required in some departments. Academically, students must be in Good Standing to enroll in 499. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 2,4

**ANTH 499B Senior Thesis B**

**Prerequisite:** Completion of ANTH 499A

Culminating activity required by all majors in all departments. Papers/theses/projects researched, prepared, and written under the guidance of a faculty member. Comprehensive exams or recitals required in some departments. Academically, students must be in Good Standing to enroll in 499. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Credit/No Credit, Audit

**Semester Hours:** 2,4

**ANTH 499C Senior Capstone**

Culminating activity required by all majors in all departments. Papers/theses/projects researched, prepared, and written under the guidance of a faculty member. Comprehensive exams or recitals required in some departments. Academically, students must be in Good Standing to enroll in 499. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Letter

**Semester Hours:** 4

**ANTH 499D Senior Capstone D**

Culminating activity required by all majors in all departments. Papers/theses/projects researched, prepared, and written under the guidance of a faculty member. Comprehensive exams or recitals required in some departments. Academically, students must be in Good Standing to enroll in 499. Not challengeable.

**Grade Mode:** Letter, Letter

**Semester Hours:** 4