

BA IN ANTHROPOLOGY (ARCHAEOLOGY AND BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY)

Units required for Major: 43-44, includes units of study in chosen concentration

Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

The Archaeological and Biological Anthropology concentration equips students with the knowledge, skills, and perspectives of scientific anthropology. It is grounded in creative, critical, and analytical thinking, and an evolutionary perspective to biological and societal change. This concentration prepares students for a wide range of career paths related to human and non-human primate biology, human health, cultural resource management, mortuary work, data analytics, laboratory and collections management, and more. It also prepares students for postgraduate education.

Minimum Grade Requirement

Except for General Electives, all requirements must be completed with a grade of "C-" or better.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Lower Division Core Courses (13 Units)		
ANTH 1	Introduction to Biological Anthropology ¹	3
ANTH 1A	Biological Anthropology Laboratory ¹	1
ANTH 2	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH 3	Introduction to Archaeology ¹	3
ANTH 4	Language, Culture, and Critical Thinking ¹	3
Upper Division Core Requirements (12 Units)		
Select one of the following Sociocultural Anthropology core courses:		3
ANTH 141	Thinking About Culture	
ANTH 146	Ethnographic Analysis	
Select one of the following Linguistic Anthropology core courses:		3
ANTH 160	Linguistic Anthropology	
ANTH 162	Language and Culture	
Select one of the following Archaeology core courses:		3
ANTH 111	California Archaeology	
ANTH 112	Great Basin Archaeology	
ANTH 113	Prehistory of the Southwest	
ANTH 114	North American Prehistory	
ANTH 122	The Evolution of Early Mesoamerican States	
ANTH 138	Peopling of North America	
Select one of the following Biological Anthropology core courses:		3
ANTH 151	Human Paleontology	
ANTH 155	Fundamentals of Biological Anthropology	
ANTH 156	Evolution of Human Behavior	
ANTH 157	Human Variation	
Additional Requirements for the Concentrations (18-19 Units)		

Select one of the following: 18
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Archaeology & Biological Anthropology Concentrations	
Culture, Language & Society Concentration	
Integrative Anthropology Concentration	

Total Units 43-44

¹ Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

Concentration in Archaeology & Biological Anthropology (18-19 units)

Code	Title	Units
Required Upper Division Courses (15-16 Units)		
<i>Exploring Archaeology</i>		
Select two of the following (Each course can only satisfy one major requirement):		6
ANTH 107	Anthropology of Hunters and Gatherers	
ANTH 109	Ecological and Evolutionary Approaches to Anthropology	
ANTH 110	Archaeological Method and Theory	
ANTH 111	California Archaeology (If not taken as a core course)	
ANTH 112	Great Basin Archaeology (If not taken as a core course)	
ANTH 113	Prehistory of the Southwest (If not taken as a core course)	
ANTH 114	North American Prehistory (If not taken as a core course)	
ANTH 115	Origins of Agriculture	
ANTH 122	The Evolution of Early Mesoamerican States (If not taken as a core course)	
ANTH 138	Peopling of North America (If not taken as a core course)	
<i>Exploring Biological Anthropology</i>		
Select two of the following (Each course can only satisfy one major requirement):		6
ANTH 151	Human Paleontology (If not taken as a core course)	
ANTH 152	Comparative Primate Morphology	
ANTH 153	Evolutionary Medicine	
ANTH 154	Primate Behavior	
ANTH 156	Evolution of Human Behavior (If not taken as a core course)	
ANTH 157	Human Variation (If not taken as a core course)	
ANTH 158	Human Skeletal Analysis	
ANTH 171	Bioarchaeology: Analyzing Human Remains from Archaeology Sites	
<i>Laboratory Methods</i>		
Select one of the following (Each course can only satisfy one major requirement):		3 - 4
ANTH 119	Analysis of Faunal Remains	
ANTH 120	Introductory Statistics for Anthropologists	
ANTH 126	Techniques of Archaeological Analysis	

ANTH 150	Human Osteology
ANTH 177	Museum Methods
ANTH 179	Observing Primate Behavior
ANTH 187	Health Research in Biological Anthropology (Health Research in Biological Anthropology.)
ANTH 192A	Laboratory Work in Archaeology
ANTH 195A	Fieldwork in Archaeology
ABA Major Electives (3 Units)	
Select one of the following (Each course can only satisfy one major requirement):	
ANTH 107	Anthropology of Hunters and Gatherers
ANTH 109	Ecological and Evolutionary Approaches to Anthropology
ANTH 110	Archaeological Method and Theory
ANTH 111	California Archaeology
ANTH 112	Great Basin Archaeology
ANTH 113	Prehistory of the Southwest
ANTH 114	North American Prehistory
ANTH 115	Origins of Agriculture
ANTH 117	World Prehistory and the Evolution of Modern Humanity
ANTH 118	The Anthropocene: Human Impacts on Ancient Environments
ANTH 119	Analysis of Faunal Remains
ANTH 120	Introductory Statistics for Anthropologists
ANTH 121	Archaeology of Mexico
ANTH 122	The Evolution of Early Mesoamerican States
ANTH 123	Ancient Technology
ANTH 126	Techniques of Archaeological Analysis
ANTH 133	Life of Primates
ANTH 138	Peopling of North America
ANTH 150	Human Osteology
ANTH 151	Human Paleontology
ANTH 152	Comparative Primate Morphology
ANTH 153	Evolutionary Medicine
ANTH 154	Primate Behavior
ANTH 156	Evolution of Human Behavior
ANTH 157	Human Variation
ANTH 158	Human Skeletal Analysis
ANTH 159	Forensic Anthropology
ANTH 171	Bioarchaeology: Analyzing Human Remains from Archaeology Sites
ANTH 177	Museum Methods
ANTH 179	Observing Primate Behavior
ANTH 187	Health Research in Biological Anthropology
ANTH 192A	Laboratory Work in Archaeology
ANTH 195A	Fieldwork in Archaeology
ANTH 198	Science and Feminism: A Co-Evolution

Total Units**18-19**

General Education Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (6 Units)		
A1	Oral Communication	3
A2	Written Communication	3
A3	Critical Thinking ²	0
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (4 Units)		
B1	Physical Science	3
B2	Life Forms ²	0
B3	Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)	1
B4	Math Concepts ²	0
B5	Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	0
Area C: Arts and Humanities (12 Units)		
C1	Arts	3
C2	Humanities	3
C1/C2	Area C Course	3
C1/C2	Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area D: The Individual and Society (3 Units)		
Area D Course ²		0
Area D Course ²		0
Area D Course	Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
Area E Course		3
Area F: Ethnic Studies		
Area F Course		
Total Units		28

¹ To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).

Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

² Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

Graduation Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (9 Units)		
American Institutions: U.S. History		3
American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government		3
Writing Intensive (WI)		3
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (12 Units)		
English Composition II		3
Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE)		3
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement ²		6

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² If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: <https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html> (<https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html>)

The following roadmaps are sample planning resources. Please consult your academic advisor and Academic Catalog for graduation requirements as you develop your individualized academic plan.

Anthropology (Archaeology and Biological Anthropology), BA: 4-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
ANTH 2	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3
GE Area 3A - Arts ²		3
GE Area 5A - Physical Science ²		3
GE Area 6 - Ethnic Studies ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15
Second Semester		
ANTH 3	Introduction to Archaeology	3
GE Area 1A - English Composition ²		3
GE area 1C - Oral Communication ²		3
GE Area 2 - Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning (STAT 1 recommended) ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15
Year 2		
First Semester		
ANTH 1	Introduction to Biological Anthropology	3
ANTH 1A	Biological Anthropology Laboratory	1
ANTH 4	Language, Culture, and Critical Thinking	3
ENGL 20	College Composition II	3
GE Area 3B - Humanities ²		3
GR American Institutions (US History) ²		3
Units		16

Second Semester

ANTH 111 or ANTH 112 or ANTH 113 or ANTH 114 or ANTH 122 or ANTH 138	California Archaeology ³ or Great Basin Archaeology or Prehistory of the Southwest or North American Prehistory or The Evolution of Early Mesoamerican States or Peopling of North America	3
ANTH 146 or ANTH 141	Ethnographic Analysis ³ or Thinking About Culture	3
ANTH 151 or ANTH 155 or ANTH 156 or ANTH 157	Human Paleontology ³ or Fundamentals of Biological Anthropology or Evolution of Human Behavior or Human Variation	3
GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences ²		3
Foreign Language Semester 1 ²		4
Units		16

Year 3

First Semester

Exploring Archaeology ³	3	
Exploring Biological Anthropology ³	3	
Upper Division GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences ²	3	
Writing Intensive ²	3	
Foreign Language Semester 2 ²	4	
Units		16

Second Semester

ANTH 162 or ANTH 160	Language and Culture ³ or Linguistic Anthropology	3
Anthropology Laboratory Methods ³	3	
Exploring Archaeology ³	3	
Upper Division GE Area 3 - Arts or Humanities ²	3	
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning ²	3	
Units		15

Year 4

First Semester

Exploring Biological Anthropology ³	3	
GR American Institutions (GOVT) ²	3	
Elective of Choice	3	
Elective of Choice	3	
Elective of Choice	3	
Units		15

Second Semester

Anthropology Elective ³	3	
Elective of Choice	3	
Elective of Choice	3	
Elective of Choice	3	
Units		12
Total Units		120

Anthropology (Archaeology and Biological Anthropology), BA: 2-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
ANTH 111 or ANTH 112 or ANTH 113 or ANTH 114 or ANTH 122 or ANTH 138	California Archaeology ³ or Great Basin Archaeology or Prehistory of the Southwest or North American Prehistory or The Evolution of Early Mesoamerican States or Peopling of North America	3
ANTH 146 or ANTH 141	Ethnographic Analysis ³ or Thinking About Culture	3
ANTH 151 or ANTH 155 or ANTH 156 or ANTH 157	Human Paleontology ³ or Fundamentals of Biological Anthropology or Evolution of Human Behavior or Human Variation	3
Upper Division GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences ²		3
Foreign Language Semester 1 ²		4
Units		16
Second Semester		
ANTH 162 or ANTH 160	Language and Culture ³ or Linguistic Anthropology	3
Exploring Archaeology ³		3
Exploring Biological Anthropology ³		3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
Foreign Language Semester 2 ²		4
Units		16
Year 2		
First Semester		
Exploring Archaeology ³		3
Exploring Biological Anthropology ³		3
Writing Intensive ²		3
GR American Institutions (GOVT) ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15
Second Semester		
Anthropology Laboratory Methods ³		3
Anthropology Elective ³		3
Upper Division GE Area 3 - Arts or Humanities ²		3
GR American Institutions (US History) ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15
Total Units		62

¹. Any course not completed in the first semester should be taken in the second or a later semester.

². Please see General Education/Graduation Requirement **course options** (https://www.csus.edu/academic-affairs/curriculum-%20workflow/_internal/_documents/program-road-maps/als_2yr/art_transfer-%20roadmap-2024-25.pdf).

³. Please see an academic advisor for elective options.