



ANTHROPOLOGY COURSE OFFERINGS

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ANT 101: General Anthropology

An introduction to the fields of anthropology with emphasis on archaeology and physical anthropology. Explores the range of human biological and cultural diversity as indicated by archaeological remains and the human fossil record. Facts and theories about human nature and human culture are examined in evolutionary and comparative perspective.

ANT 102: Cultural Anthropology

A cross-cultural study of the variety of human adaptations to physical, social and cultural environments, primarily in terms of subsistence, technology, social groupings, government, economic organization, religion and aesthetics. Students are encouraged to discover the meaning behind cultural differences and similarities wherever they occur.

ANT 130: Bones, Bodies and Detection

An introduction to the methods and techniques used by forensic anthropologists to identify and recover human remains and establish circumstances of death. Using case reports and skeletal materials, students explore how anthropologists work with other disciplines to estimate age, gender, ethnic affiliation, stature, traumatic injury and pathologies. Students will develop analytical and critical thinking skills needed to reconstruct events surrounding the life and death of individuals both ancient and modern.

ANT 201: Native American Peoples and Cultures

Survey of the major regional cultural divisions of North and Meso-America, with intensive analysis of Indian societies selected to illustrate the range of economic, political and social institutions, and the relevance of ecological and historical factors.

Prerequisites: ANT 101, or ANT 102 or SOC 101

