

ANTHROPOLOGY (ANTH)

ANTH 5306. Human Behavioral Ecology. (3 Credits)

Applies the theory of natural selection to the study of human behavior in an ecological setting, with particular focus on the adaptive features and biological design of human behavior.

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ANTH 5308. Human Evolutionary Theory. (3 Credits)

Evolutionary concepts applied to human body size and shape, diet, disease, group composition, and reproductive behavior.

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ANTH 5312. Seminar: Contemporary Theory in Social and Cultural Anthropology. (3 Credits)

Selected current issues and debates in the discipline.

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ANTH 5317. Environmental Anthropology. (3 Credits)

Examines the theories and methods of environmental anthropology and its application to contemporary human-environmental problems including climate change, environmental degradation, and environmental injustice.

Enrollment Requirements: Recommended preparation: Strong background in the one or more of the four fields of anthropology.

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ANTH 5321. Ethnographic Methods I. (1-3 Credits)

Theoretical foundations and basic tools used to conduct professional field studies in anthropology. Research design; moral and ethical dimensions of field work; designing and conducting informal, semi-structured and structured interviews (one-on-one and in groups); managing field notes, questionnaires, and data; computer data management; summary statistics and graphics; identifying and interpreting random variation; modeling and testing explanations.

May be repeated for a total of 9 credits

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ANTH 5327. Propaganda, Disinformation, and Hate Speech. (3 Credits)

(Also offered as HRTS 5327.) Draws on current social science research and legal scholarship to understand the effects of disinformation and hate speech on individual moral decision-making, as well as on wider politics and culture. Evaluates various private and public initiatives to regulate speech.

Enrollment Requirements: Not open for credit to students who have passed ANTH/HRTS 3230 or ANTH 5305 when offered as Propaganda, Disinformation, and Hate Speech.

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ANTH 5331. Cognitive Science of Religion. (3 Credits)

Theoretical debates and methodological approaches to the cognitive and evolutionary study of religious thought and behavior. Key topics include religious transmission, theological incorrectness, magical thinking, and psychosocial functions of religion and ritual.

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ANTH 5332. Cognitive Anthropology. (3 Credits)

Study of how the content of thought or knowledge, is created, organized, and distributed in human communities. Topics include cultural models of the mind, emotions, personality, and relationships.

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ANTH 5333. Evolution and Cognition. (3 Credits)

An introduction to recent work in evolutionary psychology, exploring the variety of ways in which we can understand human cognition as a product of evolution.

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ANTH 5334. Culture and Religion. (3 Credits)

Theories and problems in the analysis of non-western religious systems.

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ANTH 5341. Analysis of Rituals. (3 Credits)

Examines various theoretical contributions to the anthropological study of ritual. Controversies and ambiguities surrounding the social and symbolic significance of the ritual act for both men's and women's experiences and participation are addressed.

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ANTH 5345. The Neanderthals. (3 Credits)

Biological, cultural, technological, and behavioral evolution of Neanderthals as understood through the fields of genetics, physical anthropology, palaeolithic archaeology, human behavioral ecology, hunter-gatherer ethnography, palaeoclimatology, chronometric dating, and geology. Neanderthal-Modern Human interactions and the Middle-Upper Palaeolithic transition are also considered.

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ANTH 5352. Medical Anthropology. (3 Credits)

Overview of current theory and practice in medical anthropology.

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ANTH 5353. Applied Anthropology. (3 Credits)

Overview of various applications of anthropology to solve human problems both internationally and within the United States. Emphasis upon history of applied anthropology, ethical considerations, and specific roles of anthropologists in development.

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ANTH 5356. History of Archaeological Theory. (3 Credits)

A critical review of the development of archaeology, with particular emphasis on the theoretical innovations of the 1960s and 1970s.

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ANTH 5363. Archaeological Site Formation Processes. (3 Credits)

Creation of archaeological sites by human behavior and geological forces. The characteristics of various formation processes and identification of them in the archaeological record.

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ANTH 5377. Global Health and Anthropology. (3 Credits)

Assessing global morbidity and mortality; global health governance; political economy of global health; health inequities; social determinants of health; syndemics; climate change and health; maternal and child health; nutrition; infectious diseases; and war, trauma, and complex emergencies.

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ANTH 5395. Special Topics. (1-6 Credits)

Special topic readings or investigations according to the needs of each student.

Enrollment Requirements: Instructor consent.

May be repeated for a total of 48 credits

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ANTH 5398. Variable Topics. (3 Credits)

With a change in content, may be repeated for credit.

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ANTH 5399. Independent Study. (1-6 Credits)

Enrollment Requirements: Instructor consent.

May be repeated for credit

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ANTH 5400. Introduction to Stable Isotopes. (3 Credits)

Introduction to stable isotope theory, methodology, and applications.

Enrollment Requirements: Open to graduate students only.

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ANTH 5450. Paleoclimate Reconstruction. (3 Credits)

The impact of past climate on human societies, from Mid-Pleistocene to late Holocene, discussed in light of modern climatology and paleoclimate reconstruction methods.

Enrollment Requirements: Open to graduate students only.

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ANTH 5500. Professional Development in Anthropology. (3 Credits)

Hands-on survey of practical skills required for professional anthropology, including writing research plans, grant applications, manuscript preparation, teaching philosophies, professional behavior and ethics.

Enrollment Requirements: Open to graduate students in Anthropology, others with consent.

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ANTH 5512. Modern Human Origins. (3 Credits)

The earliest modern people in Africa: their way of life seen from the archaeological, fossil, and genetic evidence.

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ANTH 5513. Modern Human Dispersals. (3 Credits)

Interdisciplinary understanding of the tempo and mode of modern human dispersals across Europe, Asia, Australia, and the Americas.

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ANTH 5517. Hunter-Gatherers Past and Present. (3 Credits)

Investigation of recent and prehistoric hunter-gatherer societies informed by human behavioral ecology, archaeology, and ethnoarchaeology.

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ANTH 5609. Quantitative Zooarchaeology. (3 Credits)

Archaeological problem solving using zooarchaeological and taphonomic data; the evolutionary ecology of human economies; evaluation and quantification of zooarchaeological data; formation of faunal assemblages.

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ANTH 5706. Archaeobotany. (3 Credits)

Method and theory of studying archaeological plant remains in the laboratory, including sampling, identification, and interpretation of data.

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ANTH 5708. Plants and People Through the Ages. (3 Credits)

Survey of the dynamic relationship between plants and people using an inter-disciplinary approach. Readings draw from anthropology, archaeology, botany, ecology, history, and agricultural and environmental sciences.

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ANTH 5800. Race in the Formation of the Human Sciences. (3 Credits)

(Also offered as LLAS 5800.) Exploration of how race and the human sciences emerged out of the theological, epistemological, and political upheavals that resulted in the Euromodern world.

Enrollment Requirements: Not open for credit to students who have passed PHIL 5380.

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