

ANTHROPOLOGY (AN)

AN 2100 Foundations of Anthropology (4)

Introduction to the study of people and cultures around the world through the 4 divisions of anthropology (cultural, linguistic, bio-physical, and archaeology). Topics include the diversity of modern human beliefs and behaviors regarding the body, food, economy, sustainability, gender, kinship, politics, and religion, as well as their evolutionary and historical origins. Falls and Springs. (GACO)

AN 3005 Great Archaeological Discoveries (4)

This course examines important archaeological discoveries throughout the world and their relevance for understanding present day global dynamics. Overview of world prehistory including human origins and evolution, emergence of agriculture, and ancient civilizations around the globe. Demonstrates the types of questions that archaeologists ask and shows how cultures are reconstructed using the fragmentary remains in the archaeological record. (GACO)

AN 3045 Ancient Mexico: Mayas, Aztecs, and Olmecs (4)

Examines the archaeological and ethnohistorical data for the existence of high civilizations in Mesoamerica such as the Olmec, Maya and Aztec. Traces the prehistory from earliest people into the historic era of Spanish conquest and domination. Not open to students who have earned credit for AN 3040.

Prerequisite(s): AN 2100 or AN 2210 or SO 2220.

AN 3120 Anthropology of Migration (4)

Surveys ethnographic research on modern human migration in the United States and around the world. Includes perspectives of both voluntary migrants and refugees. Selected topics include impacts of migration on host societies and places of origin, assimilation and acculturation, remittances and other economic impacts, immigration policies and their impacts, and New Hampshire's "New American" community. (GACO)

AN 3130 Economic Diversity and Inequality (4)

Combining principles and concepts from anthropology and sociology, examines the cultural and social forces that affect economic behavior, outcomes, and inequality in the United States and around the world. Selected topics include: causes and consequences of class and status differences within societies, social mobility, and how class interacts with race and gender. Also offered as SO 3130. Falls.

AN 3205 Anthropology of Religion, Ritual, and Myth (4)

Examines human belief systems from cultures around the world, from major world religions to local and animistic traditions. Introduces anthropological analysis of selected topics, such as origins and functions of religion, rituals, myths, shamanism, voodoo, witchcraft, altered states of consciousness, healing, death customs, and modern fundamentalism and syncretism.

AN 3215 Topics in Anthropology (4)

Examines specialized areas in anthropology which are not covered in regularly scheduled courses.

Prerequisite(s): AN 2100 or AN 2210.

AN 3405 Anthropology of Sub-Saharan Africa (4)

Surveys anthropological research on African peoples from the early 20th century to the present day on such topics as religion and witchcraft, social change and urbanization, sustainability, development, migration, and globalization. Contemporary challenges of the continent are contextualized in light of historical trends such as slavery and colonialism. (GACO)

AN 3415 Native American History and Culture (4)

Discusses and analyzes traditional Indian cultures from an anthropological perspective which includes patterns of subsistence, social organization and ideology. Culture change, conflict and the contemporary status of native groups are considered within the context of national political and legal policies.

Prerequisite(s): AN 2100 or AN 2210 or SO 2220.

AN 3510 Illness, Wellness, and Healing (4)

This course introduces key concepts from anthropology and sociology to analyze the forces that shape individual experiences of health. Select topics include major health transitions in human evolution, ethnomedicine and ritual healing practices, health inequities, and healthcare policies. Contemporary challenges in global health and the organizations working to address them are also explored. Also offered as SO 3510. Springs and Falls. (WECO)

AN 3605 Forensic Anthropology (4)

An introduction to Forensic Anthropology, which is the scientific study of the human skeleton and its application to the law. This includes the study of age, gender, stature, abnormalities, disease, pathologies, and trauma, along with all of the other evidence that can be learned from the study of human remains. Intensive handling and analysis of human bones. Falls.

AN 3620 Archaeological Field Methods (2-9)

Provides an opportunity to acquire field experiences - survey, mapping, excavation, material analysis - at land or underwater sites from the Prehistoric or Historical periods. Summers.

AN 4415 Methods of Social Research (4)

Students learn how to critically evaluate studies in anthropology and sociology, and to design and plan a study of social phenomena of their own. Skills learned include theory, application and construction, operationalizing variables, evaluating strengths and weaknesses of research methodologies, determining causality, sampling, hypothesis formulation and testing, data collection and analysis, and proposal writing. May be taken as SO 4415. (TECO)

Prerequisite(s): MA 2300 or SS 3705 or SW 3705.

AN 4610 Internship (1-12)

Students engage in work programs and thereby apply knowledge gained from major and minor courses, areas or concentrations. Qualifications to be an intern are determined by the Department Chair and a faculty member who acts as a supervising professor. Once placed, student interns have both an immediate supervisor and a supervising professor. With permission.

AN 4910 Independent Study (1-4)

Provides a more intense background in some aspect of anthropology through reading and research, supplementing previous courses or broadening the student's knowledge in some subject area not presently covered by AN courses. Consent required of the instructor who will supervise the independent study and the Department Chair.