Twin Cities Campus

Anthropology M.A.

Anthropology

College of Liberal Arts

Link to a list of faculty for this program.

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- Program Type: Master's
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2019
- Length of program in credits: 30
- This program requires summer semesters for timely completion.
- Degree: Master of Arts

Along with the program-specific requirements listed below, please read the General Information section of the catalog website for requirements that apply to all major fields.

Note: The Department of Anthropology admits students for the PhD degree only, although in some cases students admitted to the PhD program complete a master's degree as they work toward the PhD.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Prerequisites for Admission

The preferred undergraduate GPA for admittance to the program is 3.00.

Applicants must submit their test score(s) from the following:

- GRE

International applicants must submit score(s) from one of the following tests:

- TOEFL
  - Internet Based - Total Score: 100
  - Internet Based - Writing Score: 21
  - Internet Based - Reading Score: 19
  - Paper Based - Total Score: 600
- IELTS
  - Total Score: 7
- MELAB
  - Final score: 84

Key to test abbreviations(GRE, TOEFL, IELTS, MELAB).

For an online application or for more information about graduate education admissions, see the General Information section of the catalog website.

Program Requirements

Plan B: Plan B requires 14 major credits and 6 credits outside the major.The final exam is oral. A capstone project is required.
Capstone Project: The Plan B project is a demonstration of familiarity with the tools of research or scholarship in the graduate student's area of study, the ability to work independently, and the ability to present the results of their investigation effectively, by completing at least one Plan B project, though advisors may require as many as three such projects. The norm in anthropology is two to three projects. Master's-level projects are often the result of work carried out in a seminar or course (e.g., a paper), and are generally polished in a directed reading or research course. Plan B project(s) should involve a combined total of approximately 120 hours of work. With the approval of their advisors, graduate students have considerable flexibility in defining the nature of their Plan B project(s).

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This program may be completed with a minor.

Use of 4xxx courses toward program requirements is permitted under certain conditions with adviser approval.

A minimum GPA of 3.00 is required for students to remain in good standing.

Concentrations

Sociocultural Anthropology
Required Core Courses
ANTH 8001 - Ethnography, Theory, History (3.0 cr)
ANTH 8002 - Ethnography: Contemporary Theory and Practice (3.0 cr)
ANTH 8203 - Research Methods in Social and Cultural Anthropology (3.0 cr)
Major Electives
Take 5 or more credit(s) from the following:
•ANTH 5xxx
•ANTH 8xxx
•or other 5xxx or 8xxx level that is approved by advisor and director of Graduate Studies.

-OR-

Biological Anthropology
Required Core Courses
ANTH 8111 - Evolutionary Morphology (3.0 cr)
ANTH 8112 - Reconstructing Hominin Behavior (3.0 cr)
ANTH 8114 - Biological Anthropology Graduate Program Seminar: Behavioral Ecology of Primates (3.0 cr)
Major Electives
Take 5 or more credit(s) from the following:
•ANTH 5xxx
•ANTH 8xxx
•or other 5xxx or 8xxx level that is approved by advisor and director of Graduate Studies.

-OR-

Archaeology
Required Core Courses
ANTH 8004 - Foundations of Anthropological Archaeology (3.0 cr)
ANTH 8009 - Prehistoric Pathways to World Civilizations (3.0 cr)
ANTH 8230 - Anthropological Research Design (3.0 cr)
Methods Course
Take 3 or more credit(s) from the following:
•ANTH 5269 - Analysis of Stone Tool Technology (4.0 cr)
•ANTH 5444 - Archaeological Ceramics (4.0 cr)
•ANTH 5403 - Quantitative Methods in Biological Anthropology (4.0 cr)
•ANTH 4101 - Decolonizing Archives (3.0 cr)
•ANTH 5402 - Zooarchaeology Laboratory (3.0 cr)
Major Electives
Take 2 or more credit(s) from the following:
•ANTH 5xxx
•ANTH 8xxx
•or other 5xxx or 8xxx level that is approved by advisor and director of Graduate Studies.

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