Anthropology: Archaeology Concentration (ANTH)

Are you interested in understanding the extraordinary diversity seen in human culture, behavior, and biology? Do you wonder how different and/or shared human experiences affect our views of the world? Are you curious about your own origins, both in the recent and deep past? Anthropology, the study of humans, addresses these questions.

A bachelor's degree in anthropology prepares the graduate for employment in areas where clear communication, analysis and synthesis, and respect for diversity are valued. Anthropology provides a suitable background for positions with federal, state, and local agencies and prepares the student for citizenship in a multicultural world.

Top 5 reasons to study Archaeology

1. Learn about dynamic human societies in the past.
2. Examine past cultures in order to help understand the origins of our species.
3. Understand the extraordinary diversity of past human culture and behavior.
4. Comprehend how, why, and when people came to inhabit nearly every part of the globe.
5. Prepare yourself for a wide variety of career paths.

Where can I go?

A degree in Anthropology can take you in multiple directions. Students in Anthropology may choose to pursue a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS), a Master of Science (MS), or a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD).

Anthropology provides students with a foundation for employment in:

- Colleges and universities
- Research institutes and laboratories
- Museums and archives
- State and local government
- Federal government agencies
- Non-profit organizations
- Libraries and special collections
- Historical preservation societies
- International development
- Newspapers and magazines

Alumni jobs

- Archaeologist
- Field surveyor
- Cultural resource manager
- International development consultant
- Museum curator
- Professor/researcher
- National Park Service
- Various federal and state positions
What will I learn?
A degree in Archaeology can give you skills in:

- Critical thinking and scientific reasoning
- Communication - written, oral, cross cultural
- Library research and information science
- Fieldwork
- Cross-cultural communication and collaboration
- Cultural resource management
- Museum conservation
- Policy analysis
- Grant writing and fundraising
- Taphonomy, zooarchaeology, botany, lithic analysis

Courses you may need

1ST YEAR
ANTH 145 or 150; ANTH 161; ANTH 270

2ND YEAR
ANTH 1xx-4xx (Biological Anthropology); ANTH 1xx-4xx (Cultural Anthropology); ANTH 3xx-4xx (Geographic-Area Anthropology)

3RD YEAR
ANTH 3xx/4xx, ANTH 3xx/4xx, ANTH 3xx/4xx (all in Archaeology)

4TH YEAR
ANTH 3xx/4xx (in Archaeology), ANTH 3xx/4xx (Elective), ANTH 3xx/4xx (Elective)

Major credits
Required 40 credits
Electives 8 credits
Total 48 credits

Core Education Requirement
BS or BA Degree
Minimum = 180 credits
Core Education is approximately 71-83 credits depending on transfer credits and placement scores and requires courses in:

- Writing
- Math and/or CIS (BS) or Language (BA)
- US: Difference, Inequality, Agency
- Global Perspectives
- Areas of Inquiry in:
  - Arts and Letters
  - Social Science
  - Science

Specialized courses
In addition to the overall skills you will gain from the major in Anthropology, at the Department of Anthropology at the University of Oregon you can take specialized courses in areas such as the following:

- Island Archaeology
- Archaeology of Wild Foods
- Psychoactive Substances in Ancient Societies
- Archaeology of Egypt and the Near East
- Oregon Archaeology
- Archaeology of Ancient Cities
- Cultural Resource Management
- Archaeobotany

Add a minor or certificate
Minors: Art History; Classics; Earth Sciences; Food Studies; Environmental Studies/Science; Geography; History; Political Science; Biology; Sociology

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