

# ANTHROPOLOGY

## Sociocultural Track

For those students interested in the study of recent and contemporary human languages and societies, the Department of Anthropology offers the Sociocultural track. Sociocultural Anthropologists study the varied ways in which people around the world organize their lives and interprets the circumstances in which they operate. Their principle method is extended field research, which combines attention to global issues with the close study of human relations and culture.

Among the themes addressed in the department's undergraduate courses are:

- globalization and transnationalism
- human ecology and environmental change
- the global spread of media and technology
- migration, multiculturalism and urban life
- colonialism, neocolonialism and development
- race, class and gender
- rebellion, resistance and the cultural politics of everyday life
- language use and discourse
- self, identity and family

The track in sociocultural anthropology thus offers an unusually rich set of resources for understanding and engaging pressing issues in a globalizing world characterized by new forms of international culture and community as well as by increasing material inequality and political volatility.

With its broad goal to facilitate understanding across lines of cultural difference, the sociocultural anthropology track guides students seeking a solid liberal arts education to prepare for lives that are influenced by increasingly pervasive cultural exchange, as well as cultural conflict, around the world. The program serves as excellent preparation for careers in which inter-cultural skills are increasingly needed, including social and environmental activism, business, diplomacy and social administration, journalism, law, education and international relations.

Students in this track are required to complete courses that provide (1) foundational skills, (2) language and cultural skills, (3) comprehensive skills, and (4) specialized skills. They are also encouraged to gain practical experience through courses taken while studying abroad and through internships performed for credit.

*(See next page for list of required classes)*

## ANTHROPOLOGY: SOCIOCULTURAL TRACK - A.B. DEGREE

### REQUIREMENTS:

*Lower Division Required - Preparatory:* 20-22 Units

- A. **Anthropology 2**, *Cultural Anthropology*
- B. Choose two courses selected from:  
**Anthropology 1**, *Human Evolutionary Biology*  
**Anthropology 3**, *Introduction to Archaeology*  
**Anthropology 4**, *Introduction to Anthropological Linguistics*
- C. Select one option from the following three categories:
1. **Foreign Language** – *two additional quarters of language used to meet the L&S requirement*)
  2. Select two:  
**Anthropology 20**, *Comparative Cultures*  
**Anthropology 30**, *Sexualities*  
**Anthropology 32**, *Drugs, Science, and Culture*  
**Anthropology 34**, *Cultures of Consumerism*
  3. **Study Abroad** – *Eight units of Study Abroad*

*Upper Division Required - Depth:* 40-44 Units

- A. **Anthropology 100**, *Theory in Socio-Cultural Anthropology*
- B. **Anthropology 110**, *Language and Sociocultural Anthropology*
- C. **Sociocultural Area Focus\*** - Select two courses from the following:  
**Anthropology 140A**, *Cultures and Societies of West and Central Africa*  
**Anthropology 140B**, *Cultures and Societies of East and South Africa*  
**Anthropology 141C**, *People of the Arctic: Contemporary and Historic Cultures of the Circumpolar Region*  
**Anthropology 142**, *Peoples of the Middle East*  
**Anthropology 143A**, *Ethnology of Southeast Asia*  
**Anthropology 144**, *Contemporary Societies and Cultures of Latin America*  
**Anthropology 145**, *Performance, Embodiment, and Space in South Asia*  
**Anthropology 146N**, *Anthropology of Europe*  
**Anthropology 148A**, *Culture and Political Economy in Contemporary China*  
**Anthropology 149A**, *Traditional Japanese Society*  
**Anthropology 149B**, *Contemporary Japanese Society*

*\*Area Focus courses are ones that refer, in their titles, to one or more peoples or regions of the world.*

- D. **Select one of the following two option:**  
(Option B must be pre-approved by Undergraduate Faculty or Staff Advisor)
1. **Option A** – choose six additional upper-division Anthropology courses (two courses may be from the evolutionary track; up to six units of ANT 192 and 199 may be used)
  2. **Option B** – choose six additional upper-division courses that combine four courses in the sociocultural track with two related courses in a single academic discipline, including but not limited to the following:

**African & African American Studies**  
**American Studies**

**Art Studio**  
**Art History**

Asian American Studies  
Chicana/o Studies  
Communication  
Community & Regional  
Development  
Economics  
East Asian Studies  
History  
Linguistics  
Music

Native American Studies  
Nature and Culture  
Philosophy  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Religious Studies  
Sociology  
Textiles & Clothing  
Women & Gender Studies  
Theatre & Dance

**Sociocultural Track Courses**

**Anthropology 102**, *Cultural Ecology*  
**Anthropology 104N**, *Cultural Politics of the Environment*  
**Anthropology 109**, *Visualization in Science: A Critical Introduction*  
**Anthropology 117**, *Language and Society*  
**Anthropology 120**, *Language and Culture*  
**Anthropology 121**, *Medical Anthropology*  
**Anthropology 122B**, *Anthropology and Political Economy*  
**Anthropology 123AN**, *Resistance, Rebellion, and Popular Movements*  
**Anthropology 124**, *Religion in Society and Culture*  
**Anthropology 125A**, *Structuralism and Symbolism*  
**Anthropology 125B**, *Postmodernism(s) and Culture*  
**Anthropology 126A**, *Anthropology of Development*  
**Anthropology 126B**, *Women and Development*  
**Anthropology 127**, *Urban Anthropology*  
**Anthropology 128B**, *Self, Identity, and Family*  
**Anthropology 129**, *Health and Medicine in a Global Context*  
**Anthropology 130A**, *Cultural Dimensions of Globalization*  
**Anthropology 130BN**, *Migration and the Politics of Place and Identity*  
**Anthropology 131**, *Ecology and Politics*  
**Anthropology 132**, *Psychological Anthropology*  
**Anthropology 134**, *Buddhism in Global Culture*  
**Anthropology 136**, *Ethnographic Film*  
**Anthropology 137**, *Meditation and Culture*  
**Anthropology 138**, *Ethnography Research methods in Anthropology*  
**Anthropology 139AN**, *Race, Class, Gender Systems*  
**Anthropology 139BN**, *Gender and Sexuality*  
**Anthropology 140A**, *Cultures and Societies of West and Central Africa*  
**Anthropology 140B**, *Cultures and Societies of East and South Africa*  
**Anthropology 141B**, *Ethnography of California and the Great Basin*  
**Anthropology 141C**, *People of the Arctic: Contemporary and Historic Cultures of the Circumpolar Region*  
**Anthropology 142**, *Peoples of the Middle East*  
**Anthropology 143A**, *Ethnology of Southeast Asia*  
**Anthropology 144**, *Contemporary Societies and Cultures of Latin America*  
**Anthropology 145**, *Performance, Embodiment, and Space in South Asia*  
**Anthropology 146N**, *Anthropology of Europe*  
**Anthropology 148A**, *Culture and Political Economy in Contemporary China*  
**Anthropology 149A**, *Traditional Japanese Society*  
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### Evolutionary Track Courses

**Anthropology 101**, Ecology, Nature, and Society  
**Anthropology 102**, Cultural Ecology  
**Anthropology 103**, Indigenous Peoples and Natural Resource Conservation  
**Anthropology 105**, Evolution of Societies and Cultures  
**Anthropology 122A**, Economic Anthropology  
**Anthropology 128A**, Kinship and Social Organization  
**Anthropology 151**, Primate Evolution  
**Anthropology 152**, Human Evolution  
**Anthropology 153**, Human Biological Variation  
**Anthropology 154A**, The Evolution of Primate Behavior  
**Anthropology 154BN**, Primate Evolutionary Ecology  
**Anthropology 154C** Behavior and Ecology of Primates  
**Anthropology 154CL**, Laboratory in Primate Behavior  
**Anthropology 156A**, Human Osteology  
**Anthropology 156B**, Advanced Human Osteology  
**Anthropology 157**, Anthropological Genetics  
**Anthropology 157L**, Laboratory in Anthropological Genetics  
**Anthropology 158**, The Evolution of Females and Males: Biological Perspective  
**Anthropology 159**, Molecular Anthropology of Native America  
**Anthropology 160**, Neandertals and Modern Human Origins  
**Anthropology 170**, Archeological Theory and Method  
**Anthropology 172**, New World Prehistory: The First Arrivals  
**Anthropology 173**, New World Prehistory: Archaic Adaptations  
**Anthropology 174**, European Prehistory  
**Anthropology 175**, Andean Prehistory: Archaeology of the Incas and their Ancestors  
**Anthropology 176**, Prehistory of California and the Great Basin  
**Anthropology 177**, African Prehistory  
**Anthropology 178**, Hunter-Gatherers  
**Anthropology 180**, Zooarcheology  
**Anthropology 181**, Field Course in Archeological Method  
**Anthropology 182**, Archaeometry  
**Anthropology 183**, Laboratory in Archeological Analysis  
**Anthropology 184**, Prehistoric Technology: The Material Aspects of Prehistoric Adaptation

*TOTAL FOR SOCIOCULTURAL TRACK*

*60-64 Units*