

# ANTHROPOLOGY

## 156A: HUMAN OSTEOLOGY

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## Class Overview

This class is an introduction to the study of human skeletal remains, or human osteology. Knowledge of human osteology is important for many disciplines, such as medicine, forensics, archaeology, and paleoanthropology. In this class, you will learn about basic bone nomenclature, biology, anatomy, and development, with an emphasis on hands-on study and identification of human skeletal material. The skills you will develop are the basis for further analyses of the human skeleton.

## Grading

Your final grade will be the average of 9 weekly quizzes (worth about 11% each). The final exam will simply be the 9th quiz. Each quiz will consist of 26 stations with either practical (identification) questions based on a bone or set of bones or, at a only few stations, short answer questions. The quizzes will be timed, with one minute per station.

## Required Textbook

The Human Bone Manual by Tim D. White and Pieter A. Folkens (2005. Burlington: Elsevier Academic Press).