



Department of Sociology and Anthropology
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ANTHROPOLOGY

COURSE CATALOG



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ANTH 2307 BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY*

Biological (or physical) anthropology is the study of human variation and evolution. This course provides the foundation for further study of human variation, evolution, anatomy, and is recommended for anyone with an interest in a career related to human biology, including forensics, medicine, and archaeology. Included within the discipline is the subfield of primatology; anthropologists study non-human primates both for their own sakes and for the insights they provide into the evolution of humans. Three broad topical areas are covered in this course: Genetics, human variation & adaptation; Primate anatomy, behavior, & evolution; and Hominin evolution.

***Required course for BA in Anthropology**

UTA CORE CLASS:
Life and Physical Sciences

*Counts toward COLA's certificate in
Medical Humanities*

T/TR 9:30 AM – 10:50 AM
[Dr. Naomi Cleghorn \(Cleghorn@uta.edu\)](mailto:Cleghorn@uta.edu)



ANTH 2322 GLOBAL CULTURES*

This course introduces students to key anthropological concepts. Readings for this course will focus on diverse geographical areas and incorporate a critical appreciation of the discipline of anthropology to understand cultural variation and cultural constructions of reality. Through a mix of lectures, films, and discussions this course is also designed to encourage students to develop an analytical approach to their own everyday practices.

***Required course for BA in Anthropology.**

UTA CORE CLASS:
Language, Philosophy, and Culture

T/TR 9:30 – 10:50 AM
T/TR 2:00 – 3:20 PM
[Dr. Julie Adkins \(jadkins@uta.edu\)](mailto:jadkins@uta.edu)

M/W/F 11 – 11:50 AM
[Dr. Joci Ryan \(jcryan@uta.edu\)](mailto:jcryan@uta.edu)

M/W/F 9 – 9:50 AM
[Dr. Amy Speier \(Speier@uta.edu\)](mailto:Speier@uta.edu)

Online - Asynchronous
[Dr. Amy Speier \(Speier@uta.edu\)](mailto:Speier@uta.edu)

T/TR 8:00 – 9:20 AM
T/TR 12:30 – 1:50 PM
[Dr. Ritu Khanduri \(Khanduri@uta.edu\)](mailto:Khanduri@uta.edu)



ANTH 2339 INTRODUCTION TO ARCHAEOLOGY*

How do we know what happened in the past when we don't have any written or oral records of what occurred? The answer is archaeology--the scientific study of the past through the material remains of past human activity. In this course you will learn about the changing social, cultural, and environmental dimensions of the human past and the methods and theories archaeologists use to uncover this past.

***Required course for BA in Anthropology.**

UTA CORE CLASS:
Social and Behavioral Sciences

M/W/F 10:00 – 10:50 AM
[Dr. Ashley Lemke \(Ashley.Lemke@uta.edu\)](mailto:Ashley.Lemke@uta.edu)

T/TR 11:00 AM – 12:20 PM
[Dr. Naomi Cleghorn \(Cleghorn@uta.edu\)](mailto:Cleghorn@uta.edu)

ANTH 1306 INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

Anthropology is the study of humanity, past and present, and around the world. In this overview of the discipline you will learn about archaeology, biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, and linguistics. Anthropology imparts invaluable core knowledge about human cultural and biological history, lending itself flexibly as a tool to refine your interests and expand the curiosity you bring to higher education. The goal of this course is to build anthropological knowledge you can use for the rest of your life.

This course is intended for non-majors.

UTA CORE CLASS:
Social and Behavioral Sciences

T/TR 2:00 – 3:20 PM
[Ms. Katrina Nuncio, M.A. \(Katrina.Nuncio@uta.edu\)](mailto:Katrina.Nuncio@uta.edu)
Online - Asynchronous
[Dr. Shelley Smith \(slsmith@uta.edu\)](mailto:slsmith@uta.edu)



Foundation Courses

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ANTH 3300

DEBATES IN CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Explores core concepts, critiques of past applications, and current challenges of theory and practice in cultural anthropology. Course limited to 20 seats – enroll early!

Fulfills the Theory requirement for the BA in Anthropology.

T/TH 11:00 AM – 12:20 PM

Dr. Ritu Khanduri (Khanduri@uta.edu)

ANTH 3329 / AAST 3329

CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN CULTURES

Survey of peoples and cultures of Africa with emphasis on sub-Saharan Africa. Regional cultural geography and history is covered, as well as ethnography of specific communities. Role of African studies in anthropology and representation of African cultures. Problems and potential of contemporary Africa also addressed.

Cross-listed with AAST

MWF 10:00 – 10:50 AM

Dr. Joci Ryan (jcryan@uta.edu)

ANTH 3330 / AAST 3330 / MAS 3330

CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND IDENTITY

The ways identity is constructed in contemporary societies in an increasingly complex and multicultural world. Ethnic, racial, gender, and class identities. How and when identity is asserted and assigned, and how it can both draw boundaries and forge ties between peoples.

T/TR 12:30 – 1:50 PM

Dr. Julie Adkins (jadkins@uta.edu)

ANTH 3349

ANTHROPOLOGY OF GLOBALIZATION

The forces of economic globalization now reach every corner of the world to the point that few societies have been untouched by their impact. This course examines the forces that drive globalization and their repercussions upon local communities around the world. It examines how economic globalization affects the lives of real people in developing and industrialized countries as well as in small-scale societies traditionally studied by anthropologists.

T/TR 9:30 – 10:50 AM

Dr. Christian Zolniski (chriz@uta.edu)

ANTH 3369 / SOCI 3360.002

MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

This course will offer a general introduction to the field of medical anthropology/medical sociology. Medical anthropologists study the relationships among culture, society, the environment, disease, health, and healing. Specific topics include the cultural construction and organization of medical systems, patients and healers, health and development, global disparities in health and disease, nutritional anthropology, biocultural aspects of disease, bioethical debates, and practical applications of medical anthropology. Instruction is via lecture, reading, video, internet materials and class discussion.

Counts toward COLA's certificate in Medical Humanities

M/W/F 11:00 – 11:50 AM

Dr. Amy Speier (Speier@uta.edu)



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ANTH 3308 FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY

Forensic anthropology is an applied subfield of biological anthropology that provides expert analysis of skeletal remains from a medico-legal setting by utilizing methods developed from skeletal biology, archaeology, and the forensic sciences. Students will gain an understanding of the forensic anthropologist's role in death investigations and be introduced to the theory and applied techniques utilized to recover and identify individuals.

ONLINE Asynchronous
Dr. Christian Crowder (christian.crowder@uta.edu)

ANTH 3409 / BIOL 3409 PALEOANTHROPOLOGY (with lab)

This course provides a more detailed examination of the fossil evidence for human evolution than does ANTH 2307, the general introductory course for biological anthropology. We begin with a review of evolutionary theory and principles, osteology, and dating techniques, followed by an overview of early primate evolution. The remainder of the course traces the evolution of our taxonomic family, the Hominidae, from its beginnings to "anatomically modern" *Homo sapiens*. Throughout the course, the relationship between biological and cultural/behavioral evolution will be explored. This course is cross-listed with Biology.

Course limited to 20 seats – enroll early!

MWF 1:00 – 1:50 PM
(Lecture – section 001)

F 2:00 – 3:50 PM
(Lab – Required, section 002)

Dr. Shelley Smith



ANTH 4406 / BIOL 4406 HUMAN OSTEOLOGY (with lab)

A complete understanding of the human skeleton is essential to the study of any sub-field of biological anthropology, including bioarchaeology, human anatomy, paleoanthropology, forensic anthropology, primatology, and related fields. This class is an intensive introduction to the structure, physiology, and functional morphology of the human skeletal system, with a laboratory emphasis on identification of whole and fragmented bones. Students study the skeleton in the context of muscular, vascular, neurological, and other systems. In addition, students are briefly introduced to bioarchaeological issues, including the analysis of sex, age, and health. This class is also recommended for students planning a career in the health professions.

Course limited to 20 seats – enroll early!

Fulfills Method requirement for BA in Anthropology.

Counts toward COLA's certificate in Medical Humanities

T/TH 1:00 – 1:50 PM (Lab – Required, section 002)
T/TH 2:00 – 3:20 PM (Lecture – section 001)

Dr. Naomi Cleghorn

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ANTH 3354

ANTHROPOLOGY OF HUNTING

This course explores subsistence hunting through time. We begin with our early human ancestors; we will discuss prehistoric hunter-gatherers as well as modern sport hunting. Topics include issues of meat and diet across different cultures today and in the past, and how hunter-gatherer subsistence behavior exists in the contemporary world. The course touches on issues related to environmental studies, sustainability, and animal extinction.

Counts toward the Environmental and Sustainability Minor

MW 3:00 – 4:20 PM

Dr. Ashley Lemke (Ashley.Lemke@uta.edu)

ANTH 3370

ARCHAEOLOGY OF THE PREHISTORIC AEGEAN

Examine the origins, development, and decline of the first two high civilizations in Europe, the Minoans and the Mycenaeans. The course will focus on Late Bronze Age society, economy and religion, the best evidence for which is the architecture and art of palaces and Linear B clay tablets. We conclude with evidence and theories for the collapse of the Mycenaean empire. The historicity of the Trojan War, and archaeological glosses on the “Homeric Question” will also be examined.

M/W 4 – 5:20 PM

Dr. Martin Gallagher (Martin.Gallagher@uta.edu)



Special Topics in Courses in Archaeology

ANTH 4358.001 / ART 3302

ART OF ANTIQUITY

Ancient art and architecture of the Mediterranean Basin from the Aegean Bronze Age (3000 BCE) to the Late Roman Empire (4th century CE) with attention to the ritual and political uses of art.

M/W 5:30 – 6:50 PM Dr. Leah McCurdy (leah.mccurdy@mavs.uta.edu)

ANTH 4358.002 / ART 3320

ART OF THE ANCIENT AMERICAS

Explores the art, architecture, and archaeology of the Americas from the Paleoindian period through European colonization across North, Central, and South America. Students critically consider the biases of scholarship, colonial legacies, and contemporary perspectives.

T/TR 9:30 – 10:50 AM Dr. Trenton Barnes (trenton.barnes@uta.edu)

These courses taught under the special topics number (ANTH 4358). Look for the different section numbers!

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ANTH 1200 / SOCI 1200

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

A first-year experience course for new students and new transfer students interested in a career in the social sciences. Provides the necessary foundation for success in a college environment while balancing personal and/or work obligations. Orients students to life on campus, demonstrates how to leverage campus resources to achieve career and academic goals, and emphasizes engagement outside the classroom through collaborative and co-curricular opportunities.

Fulfills the University requirement for UNIV 1101 or UNIV 1131.

MW 9:00 – 9:50 AM

Lauren Vanpool (lauren.vanpool@uta.edu)



FIELD SCHOOLS, INTERNSHIPS, & PRACTICUM COURSES

Participating in a field school, internship, or faculty-led practicum course is a great way to learn more about anthropology and prepare yourself for the job market and for graduate school. These links have more information. The UTA Anthropology Program usually offers field school and field research experience in the summer in Texas and in South Africa. You can earn course credit for internships and practicum work. You can also check out the links below for other opportunities.

[American Anthropological Association](#)
[Society for American Archaeology](#)
[National Association for the Practice of Anthropology](#)
[Texas Archaeological Society](#)

JOBS FOR ANTHROPOLOGISTS

Learn about the exciting jobs anthropologists are doing around the world:

<http://www.thisisanthropology.org/>
<http://www.aaanet.org/profdev/careers/>
<http://careers.saa.org/jobs/>

MAJOR IN ANTHROPOLOGY

The Anthropology BA requires:

- ANTH 2307 Biological Anthropology
- ANTH 2322 Global Cultures
- ANTH 2339 Introduction to Archaeology
- 1 approved ANTH approved Methods course
- 1 approved ANTH approved Theory course
- 1 advanced (3000/4000 level) SOCI elective;
- 22 additional hours of approved ANTH electives.
- 6 hours of MODL language in addition to the COLA requirement.

Contact the department advisor for the list of approved courses for method, theory, and electives. Up to 6 hours of field school credit can be applied to the ANTH electives.

Interested in majoring in anthropology? Schedule an appointment with the undergraduate advisor:

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/DepartmentofSociologyandAnthropology@bookings.uta.edu/bookings/>

To find out more about advising email anthropology@uta.edu or go by the main office UH 430.

If you have questions about scheduling an appointment, please call 817-272-2661.

AND, TALK WITH A FACULTY MEMBER!

Dr. Christian Zlolniski, Program Director
[Dr. Christian Zlolniski \(chrisz@uta.edu\)](mailto:chrisz@uta.edu)

MINOR IN ANTHROPOLOGY

The Anthropology minor (6 courses/18 hours total) can be fulfilled by successfully completing two of the following three courses: ANTH 2307: Biological Anthropology, ANTH 2322: Global Cultures, ANTH 2339: Principles of Archaeology, Plus any other four ANTH courses, at least two of which must be at the advanced level (3000 or above).

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Degree Requirements