
COURSES

ANTHROPOLOGY COURSES

ANT 001 Biological Anthropology (3.0 Lecture) 3.0 UNITS

This course introduces the concepts, methods of inquiry, and scientific explanations for biological evolution and their application to the human species. Issues and topics will include but are not limited to, genetics, evolutionary theory, human variation, and biocultural adaptations, comparative primate anatomy and behavior, and fossil evidence for human evolution. The scientific method serves as the foundation of the course. The course may include field trips to museums, parks, and field sites.

ANT 003 Cultural Anthropology (3.0 Lecture) 3.0 UNITS

This course explores how anthropologists study and compare human culture. Cultural anthropologists seek to understand the broad arc of human experience focusing on a set of central issues: how people around the world make their living (subsistence patterns); how they organize themselves socially, politically and economically; how they communicate; how they relate to each other through family and kinship ties; what they believe about the world (belief systems); how they express themselves creatively (expressive culture); how they make distinctions among themselves such as through applying gender, racial and ethnic identity labels; how they have shaped and been shaped by social inequalities such as colonialism; and how they navigate culture change and processes of globalization that affect us all. Ethnographic case studies highlight these similarities and differences, and introduce students to how anthropologists do their work, employ professional anthropological research ethics, and apply their perspectives and skills to understand humans around the globe. C-ID# ANTH 120.

ANT 055 Magic, Witchcraft and Religion (3.0 Lecture) 3.0 UNITS

This course is a cross-cultural study of beliefs and practices dealing with the supernatural pantheism. Practices that invite or demand individual experiences, such as altered states of consciousness, development of a "belief" system, and revitalization are explored. Advisory: ANT 003