

Anthropology (ANTH)

ANTH 2301 Introduction to Archeology 3 SCH (3-0)

General introduction to the field of archeology. Emphasis on methods of data collection, analysis and a world review of major events in the development of past human civilizations.

ANTH 2302 Intro to Anthropology 3 SCH (3-0)

Major aspects of culture (social organization, economics, religion, etc.); cultural patterns and sociocultural change; prehistory of humans and the development of their culture.

ANTH 2303 Intro to Physical Anthropol 3 SCH (3-0)

An introduction to the origins and evolution of humans as reconstructed from the fossil record and from patterns of anatomical, behavioral and genetic similarity among living primates.

ANTH 3301 American Cultures Before 1492 3 SCH (3-0)

Development of Native American cultures (Maya, Inca, Aztec and related cultural traditions) of U.S., Mexico, Central and South America before Spanish, English and French conquest. Optional field trip when possible. Prerequisite: 3 semester hours of Anthropology/Southwest Borderlands Studies or 6 semester hours of social science.

ANTH 3302 Prin of Cultural Anthropol 3 SCH (3-0)

Major approaches in the field of cultural anthropology and the major influences on the discipline; introduction to research methodology used in both primitive and modern societies. Prerequisite: 3 semester hours of ANTH or 6 semester hours of social science.

ANTH 3304 Fundamentals of Archaeology 3 SCH (3)

Methods of data collection, analysis and theory in anthropological archaeology. Case studies of cultural development in selected ancient and historic societies. Prerequisite: 6 semester hours of social science.

ANTH 4301 Social Theory 3 SCH (3-0)

Development of social theory as represented by Comte, Spencer, Durkheim and Weber, to contemporary schools of thought, including functionalism, conflict, symbolic interactionism, structuralism and world systems theory. Prerequisite: ANTH 2302 or SOCI 1301 and 6 semester hours of advanced Anthropology or Sociology. (Credit may not be obtained in both ANTH 4301 and SOCI 4383.)

ANTH 4303 Folk Medicine 3 SCH (3-0)

An examination of the folk medical system of Mexican Americans from an anthropological perspective. Includes an exploration of household remedies (including herbal remedies), folk illness syndromes, various folk healers (including parteras, or midwives, and sobadores, or massagers), curanderismo (folk healing) and bruja (witchcraft) in present-day Mexican American culture in South Texas and the Southwest. Prerequisite: 3 semester hours of Anthropology/Southwest Borderlands Studies or 6 semester hours of social science.

ANTH 4305 Language and Culture 3 SCH (3-0)

Introduction to the social and cultural aspects of language and provides framework and methodology for studying and analyzing the many elements which make up verbal and non-verbal communication in various speech communities in the United States. Prerequisite: 3 semester hours of Anthropology/Southwest Borderlands Studies or 6 semester hours of social science.

ANTH 4308 Latin American Culture 3 SCH (3-0)

Origin and development of contemporary cultural forms in Latin America. Industrialization, socioeconomic and demographic change are examined from several theoretical perspectives. Prerequisite: 3 semester hours of Anthropology/Southwest Borderlands Studies or 6 semester hours of social science.

ANTH 4348 Multicultural Groups 3 SCH (3-0)

Issues of multicultural groups with salient ethnic characteristics; analysis of the concept of ethnic identity and belonging, and examination of the dynamics of group cohesion within political, economic, social, and immigration contexts. Prerequisites: junior standing or approval of the instructor. (Credit may not be given for both ANTH 4348 and SOCI 4348.)

ANTH 4350 Selected Topics in Anthropol 3 SCH (3-0)

Literature and research in anthropological areas not otherwise treated in depth in available courses. May be repeated once for credit when topics differ. Prerequisite: ANTH 2302 or SOCI 1301 and 6 semester hours of social science.

ANTH 4362 Race Relations 3 SCH (3-0)

Critical analysis of the concept of race, analysis of subordinate peoples in the United States and around the world. Emphasis on dynamics of problems of subordinate groups. Prerequisite: 6 semester hours of Anthropology or Sociology. (Credit may not be given for both ANTH 4362 and SOCI 4362.)

ANTH 4382 Methods of Social Research 3 SCH (3-0)

Introduction to the study of the scientific method as applied to social research, including the logic of science, covering the nature of data, hypotheses, concepts and objectivity. Prerequisites: ANTH 2302 or SOCI 1301 and 3 semester hours of advanced Anthropology or Sociology. (Credit may be obtained in only one of ANTH 4382, CRIM 4382 or SOCI 4382.)