

ANTHROPOLOGY

Degree: B.A., Anthropology

Department of Sociology and Anthropology (<https://cas.umw.edu/sociologyanthropology/>)

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology concentrates on cultural anthropology—providing a foundation in the research methods, theories, and writing practices that anthropologists use to study contemporary and near-contemporary cultures and societies. Through courses that focus on various dimensions of cultural life or specific socio-geographic regions, we discuss the methods of cultural anthropologists; and we critically examine the theories that have been advanced to explain human differences and similarities. Besides making students more aware of the sheer complexity of what it means to be human and less ethnocentric in their evaluation of human differences, our courses offer opportunities for doing first-hand research in the communities of Fredericksburg and Richmond, and for those interested, elsewhere in the world as well. We also work closely with colleagues in the Department of Historic Preservation to train students interested in archaeology.

Anthropology provides an excellent background for careers in many governmental and private-sector organizations, among these museum work, publishing and journalism, advertising and market research, international business, human resources, contract archaeology, primary or secondary education, and third-world development, as well as for graduate work in anthropology and other related fields.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
ANTH 298	Ethnography	3
ANTH 299	Arguments in Anthropology	3
ANTH 480	Senior Research	3
ANTH 481	Senior Thesis	3
Select 18 elective credits in anthropology ¹		18
Total Credits		30

¹ Including up to 4 credits in ANTH 369 (<https://umw-preview.courseleaf.com/search/?P=ANTH%20369>) Field Research. Up to six credits (2 courses) from selected sociology and historic preservation courses in archaeology. Eligible are all upper-level sociology courses except SOCG 499 Internship. Eligible historic preservation courses include HISP 207 American Archaeology and HISP 467 Field Methods in Archaeology.

General Education Requirements

The general education requirements for Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science degrees (<https://catalog.umw.edu/undergraduate/general-education/requirements-bachelor-arts-bachelor-science-degrees/>) apply to all students who are seeking to earn an undergraduate B.A., B.S. or B.S.Ed. degree.

Students seeking a Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree have a separate set of BLS general education requirements (<https://catalog.umw.edu/undergraduate/general-education/requirements-bachelor-liberal-studies-degrees/>).

Electives

Elective courses are those that are not needed to fulfill a general education requirement or major program requirement but are chosen by the student to complete the 120 credits required for graduation with a B.A./B.S./B.S.Ed. degree or the BLS degree. These courses may be taken graded or pass/fail (or S/U in the case of physical education and 100-level dance). No student in a regular B.A./B.S./B.S.Ed. program may count more than 60 credits in a single discipline toward the 120 credits required for graduation.

Total Credits Required for the Degree: 120 credits

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