



Why Study Anthropology?

The primary educational mission of the Department of Anthropology is teaching, research, and professional service to impart the critical importance of understanding the human condition and its relevancy to an increasingly diverse world. To accomplish this task, the Department of Anthropology provides a curriculum that will help students understand and appreciate the range of human cultures as well as the significance of biological evolution of the human condition.

Undergraduate Programs

MAJORS

- Anthropology B.A.
- Archaeology
- Cultural and Ethnic Diversity
- Forensic Anthropology
- Linguistics (Anthropology)

MINORS

- Anthropology
- Linguistics
- International Development Studies

CERTIFICATES

- English as a Second Language
- Forensic Studies
- Historic Preservation

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What is Anthropology?

Anthropology is the study of people, both ancient and contemporary, in their biological, archaeological, cultural, and linguistic context.

Anthropology uses a holistic approach to integrate findings from the social sciences, natural sciences, and the humanities.

Study Anthropology if you want to.....

- Understand what it means to be human and the changes that have taken place from our earliest ancestors to today
- Learn about other people's perspectives who we share this world with, but we often know little about
- Know more about your global community
- Appreciate how biology, cultural values, language, social institutions, and individual action forge the natural and social networks that humans occupy
- Gain applied skills in order to protect Cultural Heritage, aid the disadvantaged, improve health care, find justice, and more
- Train in the skills needed in the world today;
 1. The ability to think qualitatively and quantitatively
 2. An appreciation of perspectives different than your own
 3. An aptitude for moving between local perspectives and larger frameworks, without forfeiting either
 4. The capability to present your ideas effectively
- Be ready to apply your skills to today's complex world, where international activities characterize business, government, and education in fields including law, medicine, business, education, public affairs, urban planning.

Why Anthropology at The University of Montana?

Our diverse, world-class, award winning, faculty members are here to help you reach your goals. Core faculty members teach most courses, including the lower-division ones. Working with a faculty mentor and the Department advisor, choose your electives beyond the eight core courses, potentially following a Board of Regents approved Option in Anthropology to help guide you to essential skills.

As you enter upper-division work, there are multiple opportunities to gain hands-on experience, skills, and specializations. These include method classes that range from analyzing stone tools to analyzing languages that you've never heard before; field classes in archaeology held nearby and across the globe; internship opportunities yielding real life experiences and college credits; and opportunities to participate in laboratories with the faculty and the graduate students.

Your learning will not be limited to the anthropology faculty and coursework. The lively Anthropology student club, MASA, hosts a yearly calendar of events, including lectures, workshops, and social events. Depending on your interests, the rich range of professors and programs across the University of Montana campus are available, with the Criminology Program in the Sociology Program, Geosciences, Native American Studies, and the Division of Biological Science having particularly strong ties to Anthropology.