

# ANTHROPOLOGY COURSE LIST SPRING 2026

## ANTH 10000 INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

MW 1:30-2:20 SMTH 108 + online Hybrid Eklund  
Distance Learning Schulze  
Distance Learning Smith  
A general introduction to anthropology's holistic approach to human nature and behavior. A basic survey of biocultural development and evolutionary process, and of human uniformity and diversity through time and across space. CRN Eklund 25237 + 25236; Schulze 15999; Smith 39896

## ANTH 20100 INTRODUCTION TO ARCHAEOLOGY AND WORLD PREHISTORY

TTH 9:00-10:15 Rawl 1086 Otárola-Castillo  
Introduction to the ideas and practices of archaeology that are used in the study of human prehistory, from the earliest stone tools to the development of agriculture and states. Emphasis is placed on the objectives and methods of contemporary archaeology. CRN 11304

## ANTH 20400 HUMAN ORIGINS

TTH 1:30-2:20 WALC 1018 Veile  
This course surveys biological anthropology through a review of evolutionary theory and genetics, the fossil evidence for current theories in human evolution with insight from modern non-human primates, and the influence of environmental stressors on modern human biological variation. CRN 11033

## ANTH 20500 CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

MW 3:30-4:20 MTHW 210 Wittekind  
TTH 4:30-5:45 STON 217 Docot  
MW 11:30-12:20 STON 217 + online Hybrid Schulze  
Distance Learning Wirtz  
Distance Learning Wirtz  
Using concepts and models of cultural anthropology, this course will survey the principal cultural types of the world and their distribution and will undertake a detailed analysis of society's representative of each type. CRN Wittekind 11041, Docot 38620; Schulze 29231 + 29232; Wirtz 54814; Wirtz 10601

## ANTH 21000 TECHNOLOGY AND CULTURE

TTH 1:30-2:45 WALC 3087 Nyssa  
MW 8:30-9:20 STON 217 + online Hybrid Eklund  
Distance Learning Eklund  
This course explores the social dimensions of technology from the perspective of ancient, modern, and post-modern society. Topics include the origins of particular technologies; processes of technical development and dissemination; the politics of everyday artifacts; virtual identities; and technologies of the body. CRN Nyssa 10606; Eklund 37700 + 37701; Eklund 22109

## ANTH 21200 CULTURE, FOOD AND HEALTH

Distance Learning Aulds  
This course is designed to provide an introduction to the field of Nutritional Anthropology in which we will examine issues related to diet, health and illness from holistic anthropological perspectives. CRN 37704

## ANTH 21500 INTRODUCTION TO FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY

MW 3:30-4:20 STON 217 + online Hybrid Beasley  
Introduction to forensic anthropology, the science that utilizes methods from skeletal biology and archaeology as tools in human identification in a medico-legal context. This course introduces students to methods used to recover and positively identify human remains, and to evaluate trauma and taphonomy in medico-legal situations. Topics include an overview of historical and current developments in the field. Students will develop a comprehensive understanding of the sequential order of applied work from the search for forensic scenes through the recovery of remains, and skeletal analysis in the laboratory. CRN 17195 + 29237

## ANTH 23000 GENDER ACROSS CULTURES

MW 11:30-12:20 SCHM 302 + online Hybrid Eklund  
Explores gender and sexuality from a cross-cultural perspective. Draws on case studies to explore the complexities of women and men's lives. Examines gender hierarchies, gender in a globalized world, and the cultural construction of sexuality and gender. CRN 38628 + 38627

## ANTH 24000 MEDICINE, SCIENCE AND CULTURE

MW 12:30-1:20 STON 217 + online Hybrid Cromer  
This course examines health issues and risks faced by individuals around the world, but especially in resource poor geographical areas. We will explore in-depth the gendered, ethnic, cultural, and class dimensions that underlie the patterning of disease and illness worldwide. CRN 37706 + 37707

## ANTH 25600 ARCHAEOLOGY OF BEER

MW 2:30-3:20 BRNG 2290 + online hybrid Cooper  
This course examines the origins, evolution, cultural context, and social role of beer and other alcoholic beverages through the lens of archaeology and anthropology. Topics covered will include but are not limited to: beer in the ancient world, the material culture of brewing and fermenting, origins of agriculture, emergence of social complexity, sexual division of labor, social identity (gender, class, ethnicity), and historic and recent trends in production and consumption. CRN 14000 + 13999

## ANTH 30600 QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR ANTHROPOLOGICAL RESEARCH

TTh 3:00-4:15 PHYS 111 Otárola-Castillo  
This course provides an introduction to the broad statistical methods used throughout the 4 fields of Anthropology. It covers elementary probability theory, basic concepts of statistical inference and study design. The course will motivate statistical methods through data analysis and visualization. It is designed for students who intend to focus in an anthropological discipline. It would also benefit a variety of students interested in 1) quantitative science literacy and planning for graduate work, 2) joining the workforce and becoming part of the educated citizenry. There are no pre-requisites from the Statistics or Mathematics Departments. CRN 37705

## ANTH 33500 PRIMATE BEHAVIOR

MW 2:30-3:20 STON 217 + online Hybrid Schulze  
This course is an introduction to the primate order and primate studies. The emphasis is on field studies. Ecological influences on social organization and behavior, learning, play, and communication will be considered as adaptations within an evolutionary framework. CRN 31698 + 39281

## ANTH 33600 HUMAN VARIATION

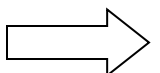
Distance Learning Schrader  
Biological differences between human individuals and groups, causes of variations, the role of genetics, concepts of race, and the interrelationship between the social and biological meanings of race will be considered. CRN 28892

## ANTH 34000 GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES ON HEALTH

TTH 10:30-11:45 STON 217 Briller  
MW 11:30-12:20 BRNG 2280 + online hybrid Wirtz  
This course examines health issues and risks faced by individuals around the world, but especially in resource poor geographical areas. We will explore in-depth the gendered, ethnic, cultural, and class dimensions that underlie the patterning of disease and illness worldwide. CRN Briller 36796; Wirtz 24762 + 26192

## ANTH 37700 ANTHROPOLOGY OF HUNTER-GATHERER SOCIETIES

MW 1:30-2:20 STON 217 + online Hybrid Schulze  
Selective global survey of societies whose mode of subsistence is/was based on the collection of wild food resources. Topics to be covered include: the development and current state of theory, ecology, social organization, land use, demography, subsistence rights, and worldview. CRN 39312 + 39313



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## **ANTH 37900 NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURES**

MW 12:30-1:20 PHYS 203 + online Hybrid Cooper  
General survey of North American Indian cultures. Topics to be covered include prehistory; languages; economic, social, and political organization; religion, aesthetics; culture contact and change; and contemporary Native American issues. CRN 13873 + 13870

## **ANTH 38400 DESIGNING FOR PEOPLE: ANTHROPOLOGICAL APPROACHES**

MW Lecture 1:30-2:20 & Lab M 2:30-4:20 WALC 2087 Renkert  
This course is about designing for people. You will use anthropological knowledge and skills to better understand human and technology interactions. With students from other fields, you will learn how to apply an anthropological perspective to human centered design and design with the needs of a specific user group in mind. CRN 19820 + 19837

## **ANTH 38500 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

MW 4:30-5:45 STON 217 Renkert  
This course introduces students to community engaged and participatory research in sociocultural anthropology. In this course, students will work with a community partner to develop a research question, conduct ethnographic research, analyze data, and present research findings. In addition to methods training and a hands-on research experience, students will dive into the ethical, historical, and theoretical considerations necessary for conducting participatory ethnographic research. CRN 29590

## **ANTH 39200 THE ANTHROPOCENE: POLITICAL ECOLOGY OF END TIMES**

TTH 1:30-2:45 STON 217 Rubaii  
This course explores how human cultures define and respond to major ecological transitions, how they narrate end-times, and how they conceptualize "the world." We will explore complex relationships among human cultures and their environments, starting with debates around "the Anthropocene," a term coined in 2000 to describe a new geological era defined by the impacts of the human species. The term has opened a contested discourse among scholars of many disciplines considering the following themes: what happens when worlds end, what it means to be human, the stakes of planetary change, the problem of scale in conceptualizing the world, the question of livability; and the pragmatic possibilities of shortening the Anthropocene. In this course you will develop fluency in shifting registers of awareness, learn key concepts in multiple political ecology traditions, and become a critical, flexible thinkers in the way you derive meaning out of what you notice. CRN 38626

## **ANTH 41400 INTRODUCTION TO LANGUAGE AND CULTURE**

TTH 12:00-1:15 STON 217 Anderson  
An exploration into the nature of human communication, particularly the structures, functions, and substance of human language. Focus is on the interpenetration of language, culture and cognition, on the evolution of language and speech, and on their uses in everyday life. CRN 17468 cross listed LING 17468

## **ANTH 504000 PROBLEMS IN WORLD HISTORY**

T 10:30-1:20 LILY 1101 Lindsay  
Key problems in the evolution of human culture examined using the most recent theories and data. Major topics include understanding early human behavior, the processes of domestication of plants and animals, and the emergence of complex societies. CRN 37711

## **ANTH 50500 CULTURE AND SOCIETY**

TH 10:30-1:20 STON 154 Rubaii  
An introduction to cultural anthropology for the advanced student. A review will be made of the history of anthropology and its place in the social sciences. Emphasis will be placed on problem formulation and methodology in the study of culture change. CRN 13888

## **ANTH 51900 INTRODUCTION TO SEMIOTICS**

TTH 3:00-4:15 STON 217 Anderson  
An inquiry into various hypotheses concerning sign generation, perception, and interpretation applicable to a broad range of phenomena (including artistic texts, verbal and non-verbal communication, rhetorical discourse, myth, and other linguistic, cultural, ethological, and evolutionary contexts. CRN 17475

## **ANTH 52300 GIS FOR HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH**

TTH 4:30-5:45 LILY G428 Lindsay  
This course will introduce students the skills of spatial thinking, basic functions of Geography Information Systems (GIS), and spatial research methods that are most relevant to humanities and social science. The course will start with an introduction to basic GIS concepts and technology, then move onto GIS applications during the research process, including spatial analytical techniques. Practical work will be introduced and completed using ESRI ArcGIS Pro software. CRN 20459

## **ANTH 53500 FOUNDATIONS OF BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY**

TTH 4:30-5:45 STON 154 Veile  
This course covers such topics important in Biological anthropology as applied to both living and extinct humans and primates. Possible topics include: evolutionary thought; genetics, race, and human variation; the intersection of biology and culture; fossils and paleoanthropology; ecology and speciation; primate behavior; and theories on the social behavior of early humans. CRN 37712

## **ANTH 60900 ANTHROPOLOGICAL SEMINAR ON AGING**

T 1:30-4:20 LILY 1101 Briller  
3 credit graduate seminar about aging and life course issues. Although aging is a human experience that occurs worldwide, perceptions of what constitutes "good aging" vary greatly across cultures. We will seek to understand the contributions of an anthropological perspective to the study of aging and life course issues. We will also apply the concerns and methods of anthropological research to the experience of aging in our society. CRN 37715

## **ANTH 64100 DISCOVERY AND DESIGN**

W 10:30-1:20 STON 154 Nyssa  
This course focuses on using anthropology to address social issues. The course examines topics including: the history of anthropologists working in applied settings, the relationship between theory and practice, professional ethics, job opportunities, and skills needed as anthropological practitioners. CRN 25565

## **ANTH 64200 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT: USING ANTHROPOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE**

TH 1:30-4:20 STON 154 Flachs  
This course is about using and communicating anthropological knowledge. We will discuss what it means to work as an anthropologist and "public intellectual". Effectively working with stakeholders, presenting information, offering solutions for addressing problems and implementing change are addressed. CRN 37716