

Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences, Anthropology

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Graduation Requirements (see the 2025-2026 catalog for any additional graduation requirements):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 45 Upper Division Credits Minimum | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Upper Division Writing Intensive Courses | <input type="checkbox"/> 2.0 UHWO GPA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Total Credits Minimum | <input type="checkbox"/> Focus Requirements (OC, HAP, ETH) | <input type="checkbox"/> 2.0 CONCENTRATION GPA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 30 UHWO Credits | | |

**Note: Some courses may be applied more than once to fulfill General Education, Core, or Concentration Requirements. Double-counted courses do not reduce the number of credits required for the concentration. Students are still responsible for meeting the minimum number of credits in the concentration and the overall total credits for graduation.*

General Education Requirements: 31 credits (*28 credits see note above)

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	Foundations Written Communications (FW) ENG 100 Composition I
0*	Foundations of Quantitative Reasoning (FQ) MATH 103 College Algebra, MATH 115 Statistics or higher <i>*Will Satisfy Lower Division Math Requirement</i>
6	Foundations Global and Multicultural Perspectives (FG): 6 credits from two different groups (A, B, C): *Group A: Primarily before 1500 CE (e.g., HIST 151 or ANTH 151) *Group B: Primarily after 1500 CE (e.g., HIST 152 or ANTH 152) *Group C: Pre-history to present
6	Diversification Arts, Humanities & Literature (DA, DH, DL): 6 credits from two different areas
3	Diversification Social Sciences (DS): 6 credits from two different areas
3	Diversification Social Sciences (DS): Different area from above.
3	Diversification Natural Sciences (DB, DP, DY): 3 credits from the biological sciences (DB):
3	3 credits from the physical sciences (DP):
1	1 credit of laboratory (DY):

Writing Skills Requirement: 3 credits

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	ENG 200 Composition II (or equivalent) C- or higher

Lower Division Math Requirement: 3 credits

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	MATH 103 College Algebra, MATH 115 Statistics or higher (C- or higher) <i>*(will count as FQ in General Ed above)</i>

Basic and Skills Requirements: 9 credits

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	SSCI 210 Statistical Analysis I
3	SSCI 300 Philosophy of the Social Sciences
3	SSCI 317 Fieldwork and Qualitative Methods

Concentration Requirements: 24 credits

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	ANTH 490 History & Theory of Anthropology

Complete Two courses from each of the following clusters:
(A maximum of one lower division course may be counted toward each cluster)

Applied Cultural Anthropology Cluster – select two courses from the following:

ANTH 152 Culture and Humanity (<i>may also count as FGB in General Ed above</i>)	ANTH 383 Museum Studies
ANTH 316 Anthropology of Tourism (xlst HOST)	ANTH 404 Museum Exhibits and Visual Methods (xlst CM)
ANTH 350 Oceania and Climate Justice	ANTH 425 Medical Anthropology
ANTH 366 Anthropology of Science Fiction	ANTH 427 Food Health and Society
ANTH 377 Digital Anthropology	ANTH 433 Anthropology of Social Enterprise (xlst ECON)
ANTH 378 Visual Depictions of the Human Experience & Media Power (xlst CM)	ANTH 481 Anthropology in Action and Building a Career

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Archaeology Cluster

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	ANTH 210 Introduction to Archaeology

Select one course from the following:

ANTH 305 Historical Archaeology	ANTH 381L Archaeological Field Tech-Historic Archaeology
ANTH 361 Intro to Geographic Info Systems (xlst SCFS)	ANTH 382 Archaeological Lab Techniques
ANTH 363 Archaeology of Sex/Gender and Sexuality	ANTH 389 Cultural Resource Management
ANTH 364 Archaeology of Gender in the Pacific	ANTH 469 History of Archaeological Thought
ANTH 379 Community Engaged Research in Anthropology	ANTH 474 Introduction to Geoarchaeology

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Biological Anthropology Cluster – select two courses from the following:

ANTH 215 Biological Anthropology (<i>may also count as DB in General Ed above</i>) (Highly Recommended)
ANTH 355 Death, Dying, and Bereavement (xlst SOC)
ANTH 384 Human Skeletal Biology
ANTH 415 Human Biocultural Variation
ANTH 456 Method and Theory in Bioarchaeology
ANTH 458 Forensic Anthropology
ANTH 460 Advanced Techniques in Forensic Anthropology
ANTH 475 The Analysis of Animal Remains (xlst BIOL)

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Intradisciplinary Cluster – select one course from the following: (Course can not be counted towards another cluster)

ANTH 355 Death, Dying, and Bereavement (xlst SOC)
ANTH 361 Introduction to Geographic Info Systems (xlst SCFS)
ANTH 363 Archaeology of Sex/Gender and Sexuality
ANTH 365 Anthropology of Disaster
ANTH 366 Anthropology of Science Fiction
ANTH 379 Community Engaged Research in Anthropology
ANTH 383 Museum Studies
ANTH 415 Human Biocultural Variation
ANTH 475 The Analysis of Animal Remains
ANTH 481 Anthropology in Action and Building a Career

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Complementary Requirements: 9 credits**Nine upper-division credits from ONE additional social sciences area: ECON, POLS, PSY, SCFS or SOC**

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Capstone Requirement: 3 credits

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	WI SSCI 486A Senior Project OR WI SSCI 490A Social Sciences Practicum

Elective Requirements: 41 credits*

*See your College Success Advisor to determine how many elective credits are needed.

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3	<i>Upper Division (300-400 level)</i>
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