

MASTER OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY

Requirements Effective Fall 2021

Plan A

The thesis option must consist of a minimum of 30 semester credits of course work concentrated in anthropological areas relevant to the participant's professional goals. The thesis is the culmination of a research project carried out by the student under the guidance of his or her advisor. A final examination consists of a defense of the thesis, as well as other parts of the program of study.

Plan B

The non-thesis option is intended for students seeking development of an understanding of Anthropology which will allow them to move on to a PhD program in Anthropology, or be incorporated in their work. Plan B students are expected to take a more broadly distributed series of courses and to show less specialization than that which characterizes Plan A programs of study.

Requirements for Plan B are a minimum of 35 credits of study. Students must complete a portfolio of work demonstrating both the breadth of their understanding of Anthropology and their own area of specialization, selected in consultation with the student's advisor. A final examination consists of a defense of the portfolio, as well as other parts of the program of study.

Code	Title	Credits
Core Course		
ANTH 500	Development of Anthropological Theory	3
Methods Course		
Select 3 credits from departmentally approved methods courses list, integrated with the student's program of study in consultation with advisor.		3-4
Electives		
Select at least three credits in a 500 - 700 level anthropology course outside the student's subfield of specialization (archaeology, socio-cultural or biological anthropology) in consultation with advisor.		3
Select at least three credits from a department outside of Anthropology in consultation with advisor. The course should be integrated with the student's program of study.		3
Elective Courses - Select from 12 to 17 credits in courses integrated with the student's program of study in consultation with advisor.		12-17
Additional Credits for Independent Study or Thesis Work		1-6
Program Total Credits:		30-35

- A minimum of 18 hours of regular course work in Anthropology is required. This excludes independent study.
- A maximum of six credits of ANTH 695 allowed towards graduation under the Plan A option. A minimum of 3 credits of ANTH 695 is required toward graduation under the Plan B option.

- A maximum of six credits of ANTH 699 will be allowed towards graduation under Plan A. No credits of ANTH 699 allowed toward graduation under the Plan B option.