Course Requirements for the M.A. and Ph.D. Program in Cultural Anthropology

MA in Cultural Anthropology
Total credits: minimum 35 credits, of which 31 must be graded

Required (13-14 units [depending on whether the Archaeology course has a lab])
1 Archaeology course (3-4 units) see current stream list on page 17-18
1 Evolutionary course (3 units) see current stream list on page 17-18
ANTH 554 Anthropological Field Methods Seminar (Qual. methods) (3 units)
ANTH 537 Quantitative Methods in Anthropology (4 units)

Theory (minimum of 2, 6 units)
ANTH 504 Culture, Ecology, and International Development*
ANTH 507 Advances in Cultural Theory
ANTH 510 Fundamentals of Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 521 Psychological Anthropology*
ANTH 522 Culture and Mind*
ANTH 569 Evolutionary Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 591 Special Topics: Religion, Mind and Body*

Ethnography (minimum of 2, 6 units)
ANTH 504 Culture, Ecology, and International Development*
ANTH 521 Psychological Anthropology*
ANTH 522 Culture and Mind*
ANTH 528 Historical Ethnography
ANTH 525 Medical Anthropology
ANTH 529 Seminar in Ethnography
ANTH 591 Special Topics: Religion, Mind and Body*
ANTH 591 Special Topics: Craft, Objects, Persons
ANTH 591 Special Topics: Childhood

*Double-listed courses. One course can count for only one list requirement.

Language (minimum of 1, 3 units)
ANTH 550 Descriptive Linguistics
Foreign Languages 300-level and up
Graduate work towards Statistical or Programing fluency

Foreign Language Competency
All students, regardless of the location of their fieldwork, are required to demonstrate competence in a language other than English. At a minimum, this competence may be demonstrated by achieving a grade of B or better in a course under “Language” above.
Students whose native language is not English will be assumed to have a foreign language competence.

**Electives 6-7 credits.** May come from Anthropology or other upper-level courses, one of which must be graded.

**MA Thesis:** *(MA requires minimum 4 units)*
ANTH 700 Master’s Research, Thesis, and/or Examination
Graduation requires a written thesis based on original research, as well as a successful oral defense.

**PhD in Cultural Anthropology**

*Total credits: minimum 72, of which 37 must be graded coursework*

All course requirements for the MA program are required for the Ph.D. program with the addition of:

**Professional Communication** *(minimum of 1, 3 units)*
ANTH 593 Publishing
ANTH 568 Research Design and Grant Writing

**Electives 5-6 graded credits.** May come from Anthropology or other upper-level courses.

**Preliminary examination**
All PhD students will take a preliminary examination upon the completion of their coursework. The preliminary examination consists of two parts: written and oral.

**PhD Dissertation:** *(PhD requires minimum 20 units)*
ANTH 800 Doctoral Research, Dissertation, and/or Examination

**Dissertation**
There are two options for the fulfillment of the dissertation requirement. The traditional option consists of writing a dissertation. Alternatively, a student may choose the professional paper option (described on page 25).

**Defense of the dissertation**
After completing the dissertation, a student must present an oral defense of the dissertation.