

## BACHELOR of ARTS in ANTHROPOLOGY (#608) Biological Anthropology Concentration

Department of Folk Studies and Anthropology
Potter College of Arts and Letters
Western Kentucky University

The anthropology major requires completion of a second major or minor. The suggested program of study shown below should be used in consultation with your advisor(s). Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the electives and the second major or minor selected.

Biological anthropology is the study of the biological characteristics of past and present humans, as well as non-human primates. Specializations within biological anthropology include paleoanthropology (the study of human biological evolution based on fossils and other evidence), bioarchaeology (the study of human remains from archaeological sites), primatology (the study of non-human primates), modern human biological variation, forensic anthropology (the study of human remains in medico-legal context), and anthropological genetics.

## **SAMPLE – Finish in Four Plan**

FIRST YEAR						
Fall Semester		Spring Semester				
ANTH 120 or 125 or 130	3	ANTH 120 or 130 or 135	3			
Second major or minor course	3	Second major or minor course	3			
ENG 100 or COMM 145 or other	2	ENG 100 or COMM 145 or other	3			
approved Human Communication course	3	approved Human Communication course	3			
HIST 101 or 102 <u>or</u> MATH 109 or other	3-4	HIST 101 or 102 <u>or</u> MATH 109 or other	3-4			
approved Quantitative Reasoning course		approved Quantitative Reasoning course				
Arts and Humanities course	3	Natural and Physical Sciences course	3-4			
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15-16	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15-17			

SECOND YEAR						
Fall Semester		Spring Semester				
ANTH 120 or 125 or 130	3	ANTH 120 or 130 or 135	3			
Second major or minor course	3	Biological anthropology concentration course or anthropology elective course	3			
Natural and Physical Sciences lab course	3-4	Second major or minor course	3			
ENG 200 or other approved Literary Studies course	3	General elective course	3			
First-level foreign language course <u>or</u> general elective course	3	Second-level foreign language course <u>or</u> general elective course	3			
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15-16	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15			

THIRD YEAR						
Fall Semester		Spring Semester				
Biological anthropology concentration course <u>or</u> anthropology elective course	3	Biological anthropology concentration course <u>or</u> anthropology elective course	3			
Second major or minor course	3	ANTH 399	3			
Second major or minor course	3	Second major or minor course	3			
Connections course	3	Second major or minor course <u>or</u> general elective course	3			
Connections course	3	ENG 300	3			
General elective course not needed if two 4-hour courses completed in prior years	2					
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15-17	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15			

FOURTH YEAR					
Fall Semester		Spring Semester			
Biological anthropology concentration course <u>or</u> anthropology elective course	3	Biological anthropology concentration course or anthropology elective course	3		
Second major or minor course <u>or</u> general elective course	3	Second major course <u>or</u> general elective course	3		
Second major or minor course <u>or</u> general elective course	3	Second major course <u>or</u> general elective course	3		
Connections course	3	ANTH 499	1		
Upper-level general elective course	3	Upper-level general elective course	3		
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	13		

**Total Credit Hours: 120-122** 

## **Notes**

**Colonnade General Education Program:** For more details and courses offered, visit the <u>website</u>. ANTH 120 or ANTH 130 fulfills the Social and Behavioral Sciences requirement in **Explorations**. Several anthropology courses may be used to fulfill one **Connections** requirement. For the **World Language Requirement**, language proficiency of novice-high before completing 60 credit hours is required (or completion of second level of a language). Two credits (or equivalent) of a single world language in high school satisfies this WKU requirement.

Anthropology Major Program: Anthropology majors must earn a grade of C or better in all core courses in the major: ANTH 120, 125, 130, 135, 399, 499. Course numbers and prerequisites are subject to change; consult with your anthropology advisor each semester. Some upper-level anthropology courses are offered in a limited rotation (one offering each two years); anthropology majors must work closely with their anthropology advisors and pay attention to course rotations and offerings in order to schedule these classes when they are offered.

For More Information: Department: Folk Studies and Anthropology

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