

ANTHROPOLOGY

This major encourages students to become involved in ethnographic research and fieldwork while gaining a firm theoretical foundation in anthropology. Undergraduates are able to take a number of courses that focus on different aspects of anthropology and are encouraged to include visual media in their senior field methods practicum.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) GENERAL OVERVIEW

Three lower-division core courses:

- Principles of Human Organization
- Archaeology: Our Human Past
- The Human Animal

Three upper-division core courses

- Ethnographic Field Methods and Practicum A & B
- History of Anthropological Theory

Track I: Cultural Anthropology and Archaeology

- Five upper-division elective courses
- Elective courses include: Cross Cultural Research on Urban Gangs; Sex, Love, & Marriage: An Introduction to Kinship; Peasant Society Forms of Folklore; Humans and Ancient Environments

Track II: Medical Anthropology

- Five upper-division elective courses
- Elective courses include: Culture, Medicine and Politics; Symbolic Anthropology; Evolutionary Medicine; Introduction to Medical Anthropology

Track III: Biological Anthropology

- Theory and Method in Human Evolutionary Biology
- Directed Research
- Five upper-division elective courses
- Elective courses include: Primate Social Behavior and Ecology; Origins and Evolution of Human Behavior; Childhood, Birth and Reproduction; Human-Centered Research Practicum

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Ethnographics Lab: The Ethnographics Laboratory, part of the Center for Visual Anthropology, provides archival and computer facilities for students and faculty who work with nonlinear editing systems and interactive media in anthropology.

Study Abroad: Spend part of your summer in Guatemala studying the past and present cultural identity of the Mayan people of Central America through USC Dornsife's Problems Without Passports program, or travel to Ireland and Northern Ireland to examine the politics of language revitalization through the Anthropology department's Maymester program. Students may also choose to spend a semester abroad through a program that correlates with research plans and the overseas Anthropology classroom experience.

Supplemental Instruction: This academic support program provides regularly scheduled, peer-led study sessions for common Biology, Chemistry, Math, and Physics courses.