

# ANTHROPOLOGY

College of Arts and Sciences • Department of Anthropology

## Degrees Available at SIUE

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Science
- Minor

## Why Anthropology?

Anthropologists are driven by a desire to understand human behavior. They consider such fascinating questions as how peoples' behavior changes over time; what historical or economic pressures helped shape the behavior of a particular group of people; how people move about the world; how people from distant parts of the world with dissimilar cultures can have similar behaviors or rituals; or how the human species has evolved over millions of years.

A degree in anthropology can open countless career doors. Majors can continue their studies and pursue advanced degrees, conduct research, write ethnographies and become professors. Students also can apply anthropology to numerous other fields because the observation and analytical skills they learn prove useful in almost any work environment.

## Anthropology at SIUE

At SIUE, anthropology students develop knowledge of and respect for the diversity of humankind through the combined fields of biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, linguistics, and archaeology. Special faculty interests include Native American peoples; peoples of Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean; Illinois archaeology; language; gender; history of anthropology; primate behavior and ecology; neo-tropical environments and conservation; zooarchaeology; museum studies; visual culture; ethno-history; economic anthropology; urban culture; religion; medical anthropology; geoarchaeology; clothing and textiles; political culture; and art and artifacts. The program is hands-on, with every senior conducting original research under the direction of a faculty mentor. Students don't just read about anthropology - they DO anthropology.

Undergraduate anthropology students learn how to study people and how communities and organizations work. Because of the breadth of the subject matter, students frequently combine anthropology with other disciplines such as history, sociology, geography, earth science, biology, psychology, medicine, law, or the arts. Such combinations enable students to understand complex community problems and many issues of contemporary life, further enabling them to expand opportunities for interesting and rewarding careers.

## Career Outlook

Demand for anthropology graduates is expected to be high in the 21st century. Anthropology majors find employment in cultural resource management, contract archaeology, secondary education, industry, environmental studies, museums, health and human services, and government services. In fact, the federal government is one of the largest employers of anthropologists outside of academia.

Because anthropology majors study and value diverse voices, they are highly sought after as the economy becomes increasingly international, workforces and global markets become increasingly blended, and participatory management and decision making become increasingly popular.

Anthropology majors also may pursue graduate degrees at the both the master's and doctoral levels, which can lead to careers in university teaching, research or museum work.

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## Faculty

### Assistant Professors

**Julie Zimmermann Holt (Chair), Ph.D.,**  
2000, New York University

**Nancy Lutz, Ph.D.,**  
1986, University of California-Berkeley

**Jennifer Rehg, Ph.D.,**  
2003, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Cory Willmott, Ph.D.,**  
2001, McMaster University

### Assistant Professors

**Aminata Cairo, Ph.D.**  
2007, University of Kentucky

**Gregory Vogel, Ph.D.**  
2005, University of Arkansas

## Sample Four-Year Curriculum - BA

	FALL	SPRING
YEAR 1	<b>ANTH 111A 3</b> ENG 101 Composition 3 <b>Foreign Language 101 4</b> Introductory Fine Arts & Humanities (FAH) 3 Introductory Social Science (SS) 3 Total 16	<b>ANTH 111B (3)</b> ENG 102 Composition 3 <b>Foreign Language 102 (IC) 4</b> PHIL 106, MATH 106, FL 106, STAT 107, or CMIS 108 3 Introductory Natural Sciences & Mathematics (NSM) 3 Total 16
YEAR 2	Introductory FAH, SS, or NSM 3 ANTH 300 Ethnographic Method & Theory 3 Distribution Fine Arts & Humanities 3 Introductory FAH, SS, or NSM 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total 15	ANTH 325 Archaeological Method & Theory 3 Distribution Social Sciences 3 Distribution Natural Sciences & Math 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total 15
YEAR 3	ANTH 360a Biological Method & Theory 3 ANTH 360b Biological Method & Theory Lab 1 Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) 3 ANTH Elective (biological or archaeological) 3 Elective/Minor (**IGR) 3 Elective /Minor 3 Total 16	ANTH 301 Language & Culture 3 ANTH Elective (cultural or linguistic) 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total 15
YEAR 4	ANTH 490 Senior Assignment 1 ANTH 400 or 408 3 ANTH Elective 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective /Minor 3 Elective /Minor 3 Total 16	ANTH 491 Senior Project 1 ANTH Elective 3 ANTH Elective 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total 16

**TRANSFER STUDENTS** Maximize your transfer experience - complete the **bolded** courses/requirements pre-transfer **AND** satisfy the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Ed Core or receive an AA, AS, or AAT (early childhood, special ed, or math) degree from an IAI community college. If 'Minor' requirements are shown, discuss careful course selection with the academic advising contact listed. Transfer Credit Equivalency Guides are located at [siue.edu/transfer/](http://siue.edu/transfer/)

BA degree requires two semesters of same foreign language.

### Admission Requirements

- Complete all Academic Development courses required by the University.
- Complete any required courses to address high school deficiencies.
- Attain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 in courses completed at SIUE..

### Exit Requirements

Complete all specific program requirements. Complete all University requirements including:

- All general education requirements
- A minimum of 124 credit hours
  - At least 30 of which must be completed at SIUE
  - At least 60 of which must be completed at a regionally accredited 4-year institution
- A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0
- Bachelor of Arts only: one year of the same foreign language
- File an Application for Graduation by the first day of the term in which you plan to graduate.

### Application Deadline

Please refer to SIUE's undergraduate application deadlines

### Academic Advising Information

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