

Undergraduate Anthropology

Degrees Available at SIUE

- Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology
- Bachelor of Science, Anthropology

Anthropology at SIUE

At SIUE, the anthropology program emphasizes real-world applications of anthropology, with expertise in community engagement, sustainability, globalization issues, cultural resources and heritage, museology, bioarchaeology, and forensic anthropology. Anthropology develops knowledge of and respect for the biological and cultural diversity of humankind. At SIUE, our students conduct independent research, travel internationally, participate in field work, complete internships and are involved in anthropology-related student organizations and honor societies.

Fields of Anthropology

- Archaeology: The study of past human cultures through artifacts and physical remains
- Biological: The study of human biological adaptations and evolution
- Cultural: The study of present human cultures and societies
- Linguistic: The study of human languages
- Applied: Application of anthropological knowledge, theories, and methods to solving real world needs and problems

Career Opportunities

Students graduating with a bachelor's degree in anthropology find employment in secondary education, private business and industry, cultural resources management, contract archaeology, environmental studies, museums, health and human services, nongovernmental organizations, and legal and government agencies. Many students will go on to pursue graduate- and doctoral-level degrees, leading to careers in university-level teaching, basic and applied research, or museum-affiliated work. Due to the diversity of subjects and methods in anthropology, students frequently combine anthropology with other disciplines such as history, sociology, geography, earth science, biology, psychology, medicine, law, and the arts. These interdisciplinary approaches enable students to better understand issues in local and international communities in order to expand their opportunities for rewarding careers.

Hands-On Learning

At SIUE, our students are regularly involved in experiential learning opportunities. Students in the program conduct supervised research and fieldwork projects, participate in internships, train in museum work in conjunction with our Ethnology Museum Laboratory, and are involved in various community projects. Students at SIUE have received funding for their research projects and have produced award-winning academic work. The SIUE Anthropology Lab houses resources for preparation and analysis of archaeological artifacts and skeletal remains. Students can develop experiences in local field schools in archaeology, biological anthropology, and ethnography. International travel study experiences can also be incorporated into independent studies or research projects.

Global Experience

The Department of Anthropology encourages students to explore anthropology in the international context. Opportunities for our students include study abroad programs administered through the Kimmel Student Involvement Center. Recently, anthropology students have studied abroad in Thailand, China, Scotland and Greece. Anthropology students can also participate in travel studies led by faculty members from other departments to countries such as Great Britain, Italy and Turkey. The possibilities are endless!

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Department of Anthropology



Faculty

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Assistant Professor
Cultural Anthropology,
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2012, University of
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Archaeology, Zooarchaeology,
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2010, University of Georgia

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Cultural Anthropology
2009, University of Canterbury-
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Public Archaeology, Materials
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2018, Michigan State University

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Archaeology, Cultural
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1998, University of Illinois,
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1986, University of
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2015, University of
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Biological Anthropology,
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2003, University of Illinois,
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Sample Curriculum for the Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology

	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Year 1	ANTH 111B Human Culture and Communication (BSS, EGC, EUSC) 3 ENG 101 Composition 3 Foreign Language 101 (BICS) 4 QR 101, MATH 150 or Higher 3 Breadth Fine & Performing Arts (BFPA) 3 FST 101 Succeeding & Engaging at SIUE 1 Total Credits 17	ANTH 111A Human Ancestry and Adaptation (BLS) 3 ENG 102 Composition 3 Foreign Language 102 4 RA 101 Reasoning & Argumentation 3 ACS 101 Public Speaking 3 Total Credits 16
Year 2	ANTH Elective (biological or archaeological) 3 Breadth Physical Science (BPS) 3 Breadth Humanities (BHUM) 3 Elective/Minor (FPA or HUM) 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total Credits 15	ANTH Elective (cultural or linguistic) (FPA or HUM) 3 Elective/Minor (FPA or HUM) 3 Elective/Minor (FPA or HUM) 3 Experience - Health (EH) 2 Elective/Minor 3 Total Credits 14
Year 3	ANTH 300 Ethnographic Method & Theory 3 ANTH 325 Archaeological Method & Theory 3 Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total Credits 15	ANTH 360A Biological Method & Theory 3 ANTH 360B Biological Lab 1 ANTH 301 Anthropology in Practice 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total Credits 16
Year 4	ANTH 490 A&B Senior Assignment 3 Elective/Minor (FPA or HUM) 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total Credits 12	ANTH Elective/Internship/Independent Research 3 ANTH Elective 3 ANTH Elective 3 Elective/Minor 3 Elective/Minor 3 Total Credits 15
		Total Hours 120

Transfer Students: To maximize your transfer experience, complete the **bolded** courses/requirements pre-transfer and satisfy either 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. Visit siue.edu/transfer to find course equivalency guides.

Admission Requirements

Students wishing to apply for a major or minor are encouraged to consult with the Department of Anthropology. Students may declare their major or minor through the Office of Academic Counseling and Advising or College of Arts and Sciences Advising. Pre-registration advisement with an anthropology faculty mentor is required for all declared majors.

Students wishing to declare a major must satisfy the following requirements:

- Complete all academic development courses required by the University.
- Complete any required courses to address high school deficiencies.

Graduation Requirements

- Complete all specific program requirements.
- Complete all University requirements, including:
 - All general education requirements.
 - A minimum of 120 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 GPA of 2.0
 - A minimum average of 2.0 in all anthropology courses.
 - Bachelor of Arts only: One year of the same foreign language.
 - Bachelor of Science only: Six credits of field school.
- File an Application for Graduation by the first day of the term in which you plan to graduate.

Contact Information

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