ANTHROPOLOGY (M.A.)

Master of Arts. Major in Anthropology.

Candidates must fulfill the requirements of the College of Graduate Studies and of the Department of Sociology & Anthropology. See the College of Graduate Studies (https://catalog.uidaho.edu/colleges-related-units/graduate-studies/) section for the general requirements applicable to each M.A. degree.

Thesis Option.

Course work will include either 30 credits plus a foreign language proficiency examination or 36 credits and no foreign language requirement. Students who did not take at least one course in each of the four sub-fields of anthropology and a course in statistics as undergraduates will be asked to do so (in consultation with an advisor) at the beginning of their graduate programs. No graduate credit will be awarded for courses taken to satisfy such deficiencies. Graduate students must demonstrate competence in each of the four sub-fields of anthropology. The thesis option M.A. core along with the expected undergraduate preparation (or courses taken as deficiencies as a graduate student) are designed for this purpose. Thesis students complete the core courses, supporting fields electives, the anthropology electives, and the thesis credits.

Non-thesis option.

Course work will include either 30 credits plus a foreign language proficiency examination or 36 credits and no foreign language requirement. Students who did not take at least one course in cultural anthropology, archaeology, and physical anthropology and a course in statistics as undergraduates will be required to do so in consultation with an advisor at the beginning of their graduate programs. In general, no graduate credit will be awarded for courses taken to satisfy such deficiencies. Non-thesis students complete the core courses, a field

Non-Thesis Subfield

Select one non-thesis Subfield: 6

Physical Anthropology

ANTH 511 Human Evolution
ANTH 512 Human Variation

Archaeology

ANTH 530 Introduction to Archaeological Method and Theory
Select one of the following: 3
ANTH 532 Historical Artifact Analysis
ANTH 549 Lithic Technology

Cultural Anthropology

ANTH 528 Social and Political Organization
ANTH 562 Human Issues in International Development

Total Hours 19-35

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Note: Students who have already received credit for any core course or an equivalent, except for the field school or internship, will not need to retake it, but will substitute appropriate courses with approval from their advisor.

1. Students will demonstrate understanding of current anthropological methods and theories.
2. Students will demonstrate the ability to produce and communicate the results of original research.
3. Students will engage in professional and experiential learning related to anthropology outside of the classroom.

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