

Anthropology



Anthropology seeks to better understand the human species in terms of our cultural, behavioral, and biological development through time. This includes comparisons with our closest living relatives—the lemurs, monkeys, and apes that, together with us, constitute the zoological Order Primates.

In addition to opportunities to pursue advanced coursework in areas of their interest, students receive foundational training in Archaeology, Biological Anthropology, and Cultural Anthropology.

PROGRAM

- Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology (36 credits)
- Minor in Anthropology (21 credits)

SKILLS YOU'LL ACQUIRE

- Knowledge of human behavior and factors (biological, cultural) that affect it
- Ethnic group, cultural, and cross-cultural understanding
- Ability to perform quantitative and social research
- Comprehension of principles of human evolution and genetics
- Report writing (descriptive and analytical)
- Experience in problem solving





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BA Anthropology

"I chose Anthropology to pursue a career in which I'm interactively studying human origins and behavior. To discover and hold history (or prehistory, rather) yourself is a wondrous and privileged feeling. The Department of Anthropology has a multitude of laboratories, research/study abroad opportunities, and faculty that provided a multifaceted training experience."

CAREERS TO EXPLORE

- Education
- Government (foreign service)
- Public health
- Business (overseas marketing)
- History and ethnic/cultural studies
- Biology
- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Ecology
- Evolution
- Earth sciences

Study Abroad!

Earn course credits and research opportunities available in:

- Kenya (Turkana Basin)
- Madagascar

SPECIAL FEATURES

- Several seminar courses use primate and hominin casts and skeletal remains
- Human Anatomy course (ANP 300) considered a superior preparation for medical fields
- Opportunities to conduct research with faculty both in their labs at Stony Brook and in the field
- Each student has a faculty advisor and regular face-to-face interaction with faculty