

Anthropology | Bachelor's Degree

| | FIRST YEAR | MIDDLE YEARS | LAST YEARS |
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| ADVANCE your academic journey | <p>Take Intro to Cultural Anth (ANTH 1312), Intro to Bio Anth (ANTH 2301), Intro to Archaeology (ANTH 2302).</p> <p>Introduce yourself to one of your professors and have an office hours meeting with them.</p> <p>Go to an Anthropology department sponsored event.</p> <p>Meet with a Liberal Arts Academic Advisor to develop your academic planning.</p> | <p>Narrow your sub-field of focus and choose a minor that complements your interests.</p> <p>Meet with a faculty member to select an undergraduate research opportunity.</p> <p>Learn about the Anthropology Internship program and explore opportunities for placements.</p> <p>Visit the College of Liberal Arts Advising Center for guidance with successful degree completion, identifying resources, and help achieving academic, personal, and professional goals.</p> <p>Explore external scholarship opportunities such as the Fulbright Scholarship to take your expertise to unique locations abroad.</p> | <p>Check your Degree Audit & meet with your academic advisor.</p> <p>Meet with faculty to discuss career options, graduate school, and letters of recommendation.</p> <p>Explore next steps including the Anthropology Graduate Programs.</p> <p>Present your research at the Anthropology and University Student Research Conferences.</p> |
| EXPAND your personal and social development | <p>Review your degree plan for course options that include the Service-Learning Excellence program.</p> <p>Join department organizations like the Archaeology Club, the Biological Anthropology Band, the Cultural Anthropology at Texas State (CATS) club, and the Forensic Anthropology Society to connect with students and faculty and enhance your professional development.</p> <p>Participate in Education Abroad and Study in America information sessions to plan future opportunities in global or intercultural experiences.</p> | <p>Explore opportunities to be involved in the Anthropology Department's labs, centers, field schools, and projects.</p> <p>Share your knowledge as a Peer Mentor or Tutor at SLAC.</p> <p>Consider joining a department-led Study in America or Education Abroad program.</p> <p>Become a member of the Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honor Society, which rewards academic excellence through student scholarships, research grants, and student paper prizes.</p> <p>Consider joining Peace Corps Prep to learn how to gain valuable international experience, make a global impact, and engage in meaningful cultural exchange.</p> | <p>Select a service activity through Student Involvement to give back to the area community.</p> <p>Seek out a leadership role with the Leadership & Service.</p> <p>Attend a Student Government Senate meeting to contribute to your fellow students and your own student experience.</p> |
| ENRICH your practical competence | <p>Explore the TXST One Stop for more information about the scholarships provided to new and continuing students.</p> <p>Attend the "Meet the Professors" luncheons in the Anthropology Department and introduce yourself to a professor whose research interests you.</p> <p>Visit the College of Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Expo to view innovative student research.</p> | <p>Make an appointment with the Anthropology Internship Director and plan your internship and additional internship opportunities and get career guidance with Career Services.</p> <p>Join a local, regional, or national professional organization in Biological, Forensic, and Cultural Anthropology and Archaeology (get recommendations from a faculty or your student organization).</p> <p>Become an officer in one of the undergraduate Anthropology clubs that you joined your first year. Work on actively improving the club's engagement with students and the community.</p> | <p>Join a professional organization in your major or area of interest.</p> <p>Attend or present at a national conference related to your major subdiscipline within Anthropology. Consider the American Anthropological Association, American Association of Biological Anthropologists, and the Society for American Archaeology.</p> <p>Publish your internship or other research findings in the Texas State Undergraduate Research Journal (TXSTUR).</p> |
| ELEVATE your career and professional life | <p>Accept your invitation to the anthropology undergraduate Canvas site to receive updates.</p> <p>Attend presentations by professional anthropologists, graduate students and invited speakers.</p> <p>Attend the Annual Student Anthropology Conference.</p> <p>Create your Handshake and profiles and connect with colleagues and leaders.</p> | <p>Create your resume or curriculum vitae (CV) with input from faculty, graduate students, and peers.</p> <p>Give a presentation on your experience in an internship, volunteer opportunity, or course assignment in the Annual Student Anthropology Conference.</p> <p>Attend a regional anthropology conference such as the Texas Archaeological Society, Texas Association of Biological Anthropologists, Texas Historical Association, Texas Academy of Sciences, NACCS, or others.</p> <p>Explore scholarships that provide research opportunities like the U.S. National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates (NSF REU) program.</p> | <p>Draft a cover letter that describes your skills and experience with input from a faculty members, and update your resume or curriculum vitae (CV).</p> <p>Investigate professional school entrance exams (e.g. GRE, MCAT, LSAT, GMAT).</p> <p>Give a presentation on your experience in an internship, volunteer opportunity, or course assignment in the Annual Student Anthropology Conference.</p> |

OUTCOMES

Marketable Skills

Think critically

Analyze and solve problems

Communicate clearly and effectively

An understanding of humanity, particularly the diversity of world cultures

Experience applying anthropological knowledge in various settings

[See more marketable skills for this major](#)

Experiences in Anthropology

The anthropology major focuses on the study of humanity, exploring the biological and cultural aspects of human life across time and space through archaeology, biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, and linguistic anthropology. The curriculum covers a broad range of topics within these four subfields. Students may choose between a bachelor of arts or bachelor of science degree. Students pursuing either degree can participate in department field schools and internship programs. The department hosts a number of research centers (Forensic Anthropology Center at Texas State, Center for Archaeological Studies, Innovative Anthropologies Lab) that provide opportunities for students and sponsor long-term field projects. Students may participate in faculty-led study abroad or Study in America trips. They are encouraged to develop their professional networks at department-sponsored clubs and events as well as present their research and internship experiences at the Annual Anthropology Student Research Conference and other professional conferences.

Career Opportunities

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| Cultural resource monitor | Conservation biologist |
| User experience researcher | Immigrant and refugee specialist |
| Librarian/archivist | Public and social policy analyst |
| Advertising manager | Cultural/science writer |
| Marketing manager | Environmental planner |
| Human resource specialist | Community organizer |
| Archaeology field technician | Subject matter expert |
| Analytical linguist | Information analyst |
| Marketing linguist | Grant writer |
| Cryptological linguist | Development officer |
| AI trainer | Public health researcher |
| Historical preservation | Health outreach coordinator |
| Specialist | Death investigator |
| Museum curator | Autopsy technician |
| Museum educator | Laboratory manager |
| National park service ranger | Educator |