

# Anthropology (BA, BS, MA)



## DISCOVER YOUR OPPORTUNITIES

*Anthropology, the study of human diversity on a cross-cultural basis, is comprised of socio-cultural anthropology, biological anthropology, archaeology, and linguistics. These degrees provide the student with a solid general foundation in the discipline. Anthropologists assist in identifying prehistoric and historic sites for preservation, identifying subsistence and land use patterns of Native peoples, and investigating changes in society that impact future education, economics, and industry.*

## Educational Pathway Options

Talents and Abilities	Associate of Arts (AA)	Bachelor's Degrees	Master of Arts (MA)
<b>High School</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Interest in world cultures</li><li>• Ability to take a holistic view</li><li>• Ability to remain open to new ideas</li><li>• Interest in historical research</li><li>• Computer Skills<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Word processing</li><li>▶ Web navigation</li></ul></li></ul>	<b>2-3 Years</b> <p>The General Program may fulfill the first two years of some baccalaureate degrees with appropriate course placement and choices.</p>	<b>4-5 Years</b> <p><b>Anthropology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bachelor of Arts (BA)</li><li>• Bachelor of Science (BS)</li></ul>	<b>2-3 Years</b> <p><b>Anthropology</b></p> <p>Emphasis Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• General Anthropology</li><li>• Applied Anthropology</li></ul> <p>Tracks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Applied Cultural</li><li>• Applied Biological</li><li>• Cultural Resource Management</li></ul>

### CAREER CONNECTIONS

- Science, Mathematics, Engineering, & Research
- Natural Resources & Environmental Sciences
- Education & Training • Hospitality & Tourism

## APPLICATION PROCESS

### BACHELOR'S DEGREE

- 1 Apply for admission at [www.uaa.alaska.edu/admissions](http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/admissions).
- 2 Review admission requirements for your student type.
- 3 Submit required documents to UAA Enrollment Services.
- 4 Take the SAT, ACT, or Accuplacer test for English and math course placement. Call the UAA Advising & Testing Center at 907.786.4500 for testing information.
- 5 Make an appointment for academic advising at 907.786.1357 or 907.786.1356 and meet regularly with an advisor.
- 6 Access the Future Student Checklist online at <http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/prospective/checklist.cfm> to stay on track.

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### MASTER'S DEGREE

Follow steps 1-3 of the bachelor's degree enrollment process and submit to the Anthropology Department:

- GRE scores, taken within five years prior to the application date
- Three letters of recommendation
- A letter of intent, including a brief statement of research, career goals, and reasons for pursuing graduate study
- Writing sample of a substantial paper or research proposal (optional)

See UAA Course Catalog for more details.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS:

- Explore other cultures
- Participate in exciting Field Schools and archaeological sites
- Prepare for graduate programs in Anthropology
- Job opportunities in cultural resource management, bioarchaeology, or cultural anthropology
- Active Anthropology Club
- Undergraduate research opportunities

### GRADUATE STUDENTS:

- Internships in federal, state, tribal, and private organizations
- Research opportunities in archaeological and cultural anthropology
- Opportunities in forensics
- Work with zooarchaeology and arctic/subarctic archaeological collections

## ANTHROPOLOGY (BA, BS)

The Anthropology Department is part of the Division of Social Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences.

**Students are strongly recommended to consult with an advisor prior to course selection. Please check with a College of Arts and Sciences advisor before you contact a faculty advisor in the Anthropology Department.**

### ▶ COMPLETE GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

### ▶ COMPLETE GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (37 credits)

The GERs provide a breadth of exposure to traditional academic disciplines and help students to understand and respond to evolving local and international issues.

### ▶ COMPLETE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES COURSE REQUIREMENTS

#### Bachelor of Arts (27-29 credits)

A liberal arts degree designed to provide a broad knowledge base.

#### Bachelor of Science (24-28 credits)

A degree designed to equip students with technical competencies needed in scientific disciplines.

The programs within the University Honors College may satisfy some of the degree requirements while providing challenging opportunities to excel. To find out more, go to [www.uaa.alaska.edu/honors](http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/honors) or call 907.786.1086.

### ▶ COMPLETE MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS (39-40 credits)

#### Sample of courses available in Anthropology:

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| • Cultural Anthropology                 | • Historical Osteology                 |
| • Biological Anthropology               | • Alaska Native Peoples                |
| • Anthropological Linguistics           | • Cross Cultural Perspectives on Women |
| • Archaeology                           | • Anthropology of Religion             |
| • Natives of Alaska                     | • Hunting and Gathering Societies      |
| • Peoples of Cultures of Southeast Asia | • Evolution                            |

**A total of 120 credits will be required to graduate, 42 of which must be at the upper division (300 or 400) level.**

For a complete list of courses, see the UAA catalog.

## ANTHROPOLOGY (MA)

### ▶ COMPLETE COURSE REQUIREMENTS (9-18 credits)

#### General Anthropology

#### Applied Anthropology

- Applied Cultural Anthropology Track
- Applied Biological Anthropology Track
- Cultural Resource Management Track

### ▶ COMPLETE ELECTIVES (6-20 credits)

### ▶ COMPLETE THESIS RESEARCH (1-6 credits)

### ▶ COMPLETE CANDIDACY REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete at least 24 semester-credits of non-thesis coursework applicable to the MA program, demonstrate research or statistical competence, pass a written comprehensive exam, and prepare a thesis prospectus for approval.

**A total of 30 credits is required for this degree.**

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